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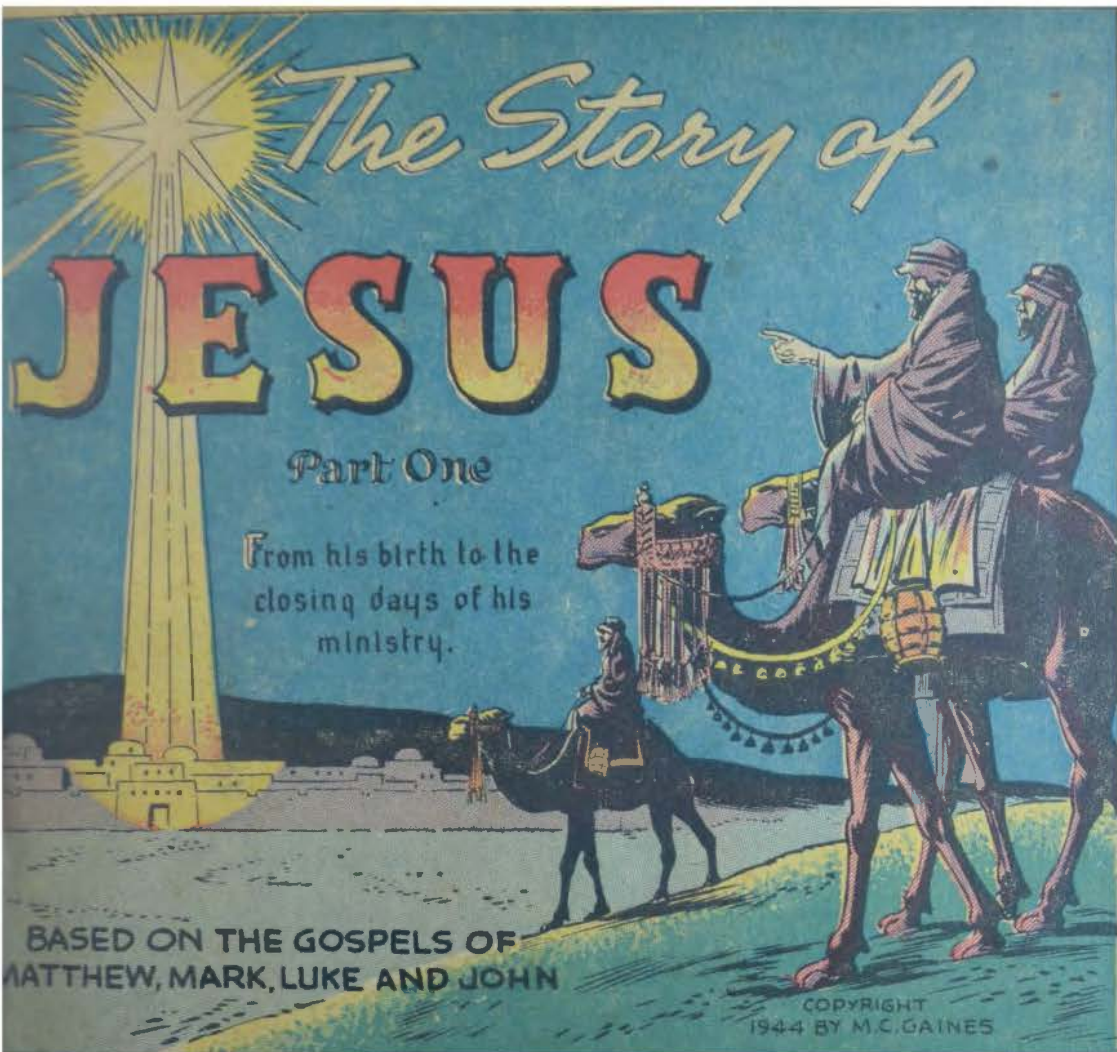
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NOW AN ANGEL OF THE LORD CAME TO EARTH
AND APPEARED TO A PRIEST

ZACHARIAS OF JUDAH,
YOUR PRAYER IS HEARD —
YOUR WIFE ELIZABETH
SHALL HAVE A SON — NAME
HIM JOHN — HE SHALL DO
WONDROUS THINGS AND
TURN MANY
TO GOD!



AND THE ANGEL VISITED ANOTHER

MARY OF NAZARETH, YOU ALSO
SHALL GIVE BIRTH TO A BOY-CHILD
— FEAR NOT, FOR YOU HAVE FOUND
FAVOR WITH GOD! — YOU SHALL
CALL HIS NAME JESUS — HE
SHALL BE CALLED THE SON OF
GOD AND OF HIS KINGDOM
THERE SHALL BE NO END!

LET IT
BE AS
IS SAID!



JOSEPH AND MARY GO TO BETHLEHEM



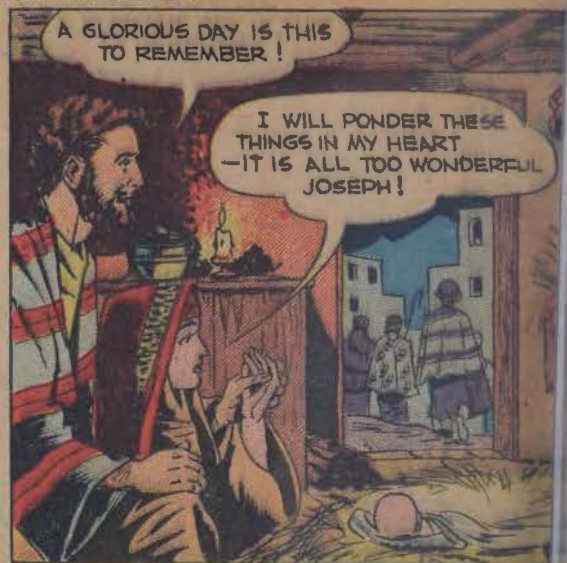


THE VISIT OF THE WISE MEN



AN ANGEL TOLD US, MARY, AND WE HAVE COME TO PAY HOMAGE TO THE CHILD....

A MARVELOUS BABY - WE SHALL SPREAD TIDINGS ABROAD OF THE BIRTH OF THE PROMISED MESSIAH!



A GLORIOUS DAY IS THIS TO REMEMBER!

I WILL PONDER THESE THINGS IN MY HEART - IT IS ALL TOO WONDERFUL JOSEPH!



NOW HEROD, AT THE TIME, RULED AS KING IN JERUSALEM, AND THREE WISE MEN OF THE EAST APPEARED....



THE STAR OF THE EAST HAS LED US ALONG THE WAY!

WE'RE IN THE LAND OF JUDEA NOW!

PEOPLE IN JERUSALEM CAN TELL US WHERE THE BABY-KING OF THE JEWS BORN!



HEROD THE KING IS TROUBLED - HE SENDS FOR THE WISE MEN...

WE ARE SEEKING HIM WHO IS BORN KING OF THE JEWS?

WE SAW HIS STAR AND CAME TO WORSHIP HIM, FROM THE EAST!

WAIT! I SHALL SUMMON MY CHIEFS AND ASK THEM--



HEROD GATHERS THE CHIEFS IN ANOTHER ROOM...

WHAT IS THIS ABOUT A BABY KING? - I DEMAND TO KNOW WHERE HE IS!

IT IS PROPHESIED THAT HE WILL BE BORN IN BETHLEHEM OF JUDEA

SHALL WE SEEK HIM OUT?

TELL THE WISE MEN TO FIND HIM AND REPORT BACK, SIRE...

HEROD SUMMONS THE WISE MEN

BRING THIS BABE - AND BRING
THE WORD SO I TOO MAY
HONOR HIM!

AS YOU
COMMAND!



THE EASTERN
STAR LEADS US
AGAIN!

IT GOES
BEFORE
US -



GOLD AND FRANKINCENSE
AND MYRRH, WE
BRING YOU!

HE'S TRULY
THE
CHRIST
CHILD!



THAT NIGHT

DO NOT RETURN TO
KING HEROD AS HE
PLANS HARM TO THE
CHILD! - GO BACK
HOME ANOTHER WAY!

WE
OBEY!



WHEN THE WISE MEN DID NOT
RETURN TO HEROD

ALL NIGHT I WAIT FOR THEM AND
THEY HAVE GONE! - GET OUT
THE SOLDIERS - SLAY ALL
CHILDREN UP TO TWO YEARS
OLD!

THIS
IS A
CRUEL
ORDER!



BUT THE ANGEL APPEARS TO
JOSEPH IN A DREAM

TAKE THE CHILD
AND MARY AND
FLEE TO EGYPT
FOR HEROD PLANS
TO SLAY HIM!



WE MUST HURRY,
MARY! - ALREADY
THE SOLDIERS ARE
CARRYING OUT
THE ORDERS TO
KILL THE CHILDREN
OF BETHLEHEM!

GOD
WILL
GUIDE
AND
PROTECT
US!



AND THE FAMILY ESCAPED TO EGYPT... AND WERE HAPPY! - THEN, SOME TIME LATER, THE LORD'S ANGEL REAPPEARS TO JOSEPH



HEROD IS DEAD! RETURN WITH THE CHILD TO THE LAND OF ISRAEL, JOSEPH, IT IS NOW SAFE!



NOT BETHLEHEM, MARY, FOR WE'LL START ANEW - WE SHALL GO ON TO NAZARETH, OUR FORMER HOME!

AS YOU SAY, JOSEPH



THIS IS TO BE OUR HOME - I SHALL BUILD A SHOP, MARY, AND WORK AS A CARPENTER!

AND JESUS CAN PLAY IN THE NEARBY WOODS AND FIELDS!



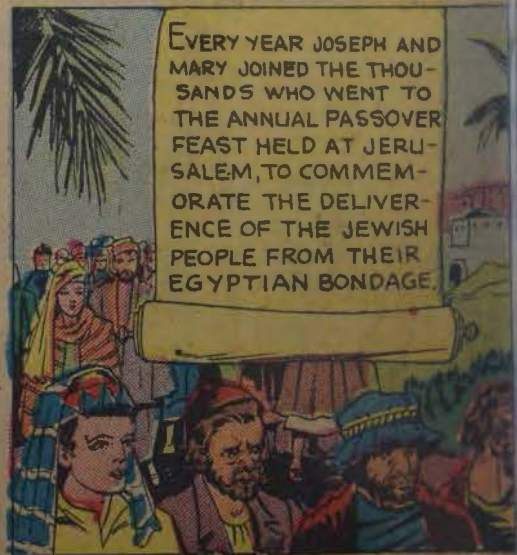
JESUS GREW UP STRONG IN MIND AND BODY

OUR BOY JESUS IS A BORN LEADER - THERE HE IS WINNING THE RACE - SOME DAY SOON HE SHOULD GO WITH US TO THE FEAST OF THE PASS-OVER!



I DO NOT NEED YOUR HELP TODAY, SON - GO AHEAD AND PLAY WITH YOUR COMPANIONS!

COME ON, LET'S GO INTO THE WOODS!



EVERY YEAR JOSEPH AND MARY JOINED THE THOUSANDS WHO WENT TO THE ANNUAL PASSOVER FEAST HELD AT JERUSALEM, TO COMMEMORATE THE DELIVERENCE OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE FROM THEIR EGYPTIAN BONDAGE.

WHEN JESUS WAS TWELVE HIS FATHER BELIEVED IT TIME TO TAKE HIM TO JERUSALEM TO GET THE FULL SIGNIFICANCE OF THEIR RELIGION.

JESUS WILL SEE JERUSALEM AND THE HOLY TEMPLE!

THIS WILL INDEED BE A DAY HE WON'T FORGET!



WHEN THE PASSOVER FEAST WAS OVER AND ALL STARTED FOR HOME.....

IS JESUS WITH YOU?

I THOUGHT HE WAS WITH YOU!



HAS ANYONE SEEN OUR SON JESUS?

WE'VE GONE A DAY'S JOURNEY AND HE'S NOT AMONG US!

WHY NOT GO BACK — HE'S PROBABLY STILL IN JERUSALEM!



THIRD DAY AFTER, THEY RETURN AND FIND HIM IN THE HOLY TEMPLE ---

HE IS HERE WITH THE WISE TEACHERS

JESUS — MY SON!



HE HAS BEEN ASKING AND ANSWERING QUESTIONS — HE ASTONISHES US!

WHY HAVE YOU DEALT WITH US THIS WAY, SON? WE HAVE SOUGHT YOU, SORROWING!



HOW IS IT YOU HAVE SOUGHT ME ELSEWHERE? — DID YOU NOT KNOW I MUST BE ABOUT MY FATHER'S BUSINESS?

WHAT MEANS MY BOY?



A STRANGE PROPHET, JOHN THE BAPTIST, APPEARS

THEY DID NOT UNDERSTAND JESUS — BUT THE THREE RETURNED —

A STRANGE BOY, MARY!

WE MUST HASTEN TO NAZARETH, JOSEPH — I AM TIRED!



UPON THEIR RETURN FROM THIS YEARLY PASSOVER FEAST JESUS RESUMED WORK IN HIS FATHER'S CARPENTER SHOP.

JESUS IS A GREAT HELP, MARY!

GOD HAS BEEN GOOD TO US ALL!



AND AS THE YEAR PASSED HE INCREASED IN WISDOM AND STATURE AND FAVOR WITH GOD AND MAN

IN THE 15TH YEAR OF THE ROMAN EMPEROR TIBERIUS, A STRANGE PREACHER APPEARED NEAR BETH-ABARA ON THE RIVER JORDAN

HEAR ME THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS! — I AM JOHN, COME TO TELL YOU OF GOD AND TO CALL YOU TO REPENTANCE AND TO BAPTIZE YOU!

HE IS THE SON OF ELIZABETH, COUSIN TO MARY WHO BORE JESUS — HEAR HIM!



I BAPTIZE YOU — BUT, THERE IS ONE COMING MIGHTIER THAN I AM! — I PREPARE THE WAY FOR HIM!

WHAT DOES HE MEAN?



JESUS WAS ABOUT THIRTY YEARS OF AGE AND HE CAME TO THE RIVER JORDAN ONE DAY —

THERE HE IS!



YOU COME TO ME TO BE BAPTIZED, JESUS? — IT IS I WHO OUGHT TO BE BAPTIZED BY YOU!



THE BAPTISM AND TEMPTATIONS OF JESUS



JESUS INVITES FOUR TO BECOME HIS FOLLOWERS

JESUS RETURNS TO WHERE JOHN IS BAPTIZING ~

BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD WHICH TAKES AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD-THIS IS HE OF WHOM I FORETOLD!

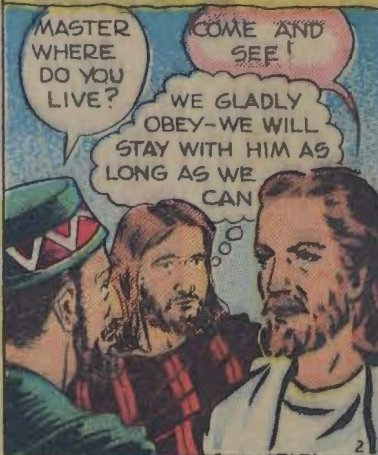


TWO OF JOHN THE BAPTIST'S DISCIPLES (ANOTHER JOHN AND ANDREW) FOLLOW AND TALK TO JESUS ~

MASTER WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

COME AND SEE!

WE GLADLY OBEY-WE WILL STAY WITH HIM AS LONG AS WE CAN



AFTER THE DAY'S VISIT OF JOSEPH AND ANDREW, ANDREW GOES TO SEEK HIS BROTHER SIMON

WE HAVE AT LAST FOUND THE MESSIAH CALLED THE CHRIST AND JOHN AND I HAVE BECOME HIS DISCIPLES!

TAKE A TO HIM I WOULD LIKE TO SEE HIM



SIMON MEETS JESUS AND IS CALLED CEPHUS OR PETER-INTERPRETED MEANING A STONE

THOU ARE SIMON-THOU SHALT BE CALLED CEPHAS!



JESUS NOW HAS THREE DISCIPLES-JOHN, ANDREW AND PETER ~

JOHN AND PETER DECIDE AS DISCIPLES TO LEARN MORE ABOUT JESUS AND FOLLOW HIM ~

LET US GO INTO THE COUNTRY OF GALILEE, MASTER!

WE WILL DO YOUR BIDDING!

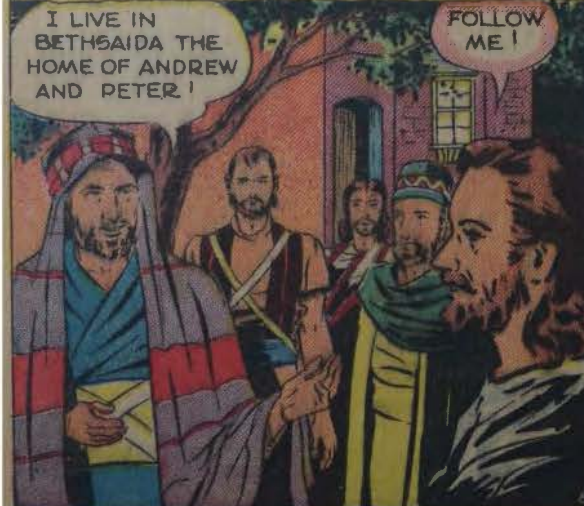
I TOO DESIRE TO FOLLOW THEE!



JESUS NEXT SECURES PHILIP AS A DISCIPLE ~

I LIVE IN BETHSAIDA THE HOME OF ANDREW AND PETER!

FOLLOW ME!



PHILIP IS SO IMPRESSED WITH JESUS AS THE MESSIAH THAT HE SEEKS OUT NATHANAEAL HIS FRIEND TO TELL HIM ~

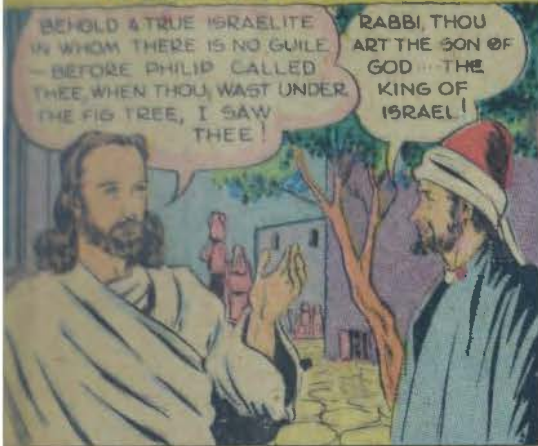
WE HAVE FOUND HIM ABOUT WHOM MOSES IN THE LAW WROTE-JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE SON OF JOSEPH, COME AND SEE HIM!

CAN THERE ANY GOOD THING COME OUT OF NAZARETH?

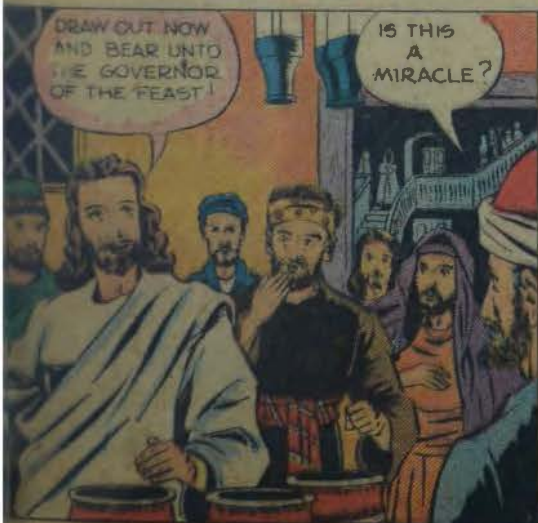


THE FIRST MIRACLE AT CANA

NATHANIEL AFTER TALKING WITH JESUS IS CONVINCED THAT HE IS THE PROMISED MESSIAH — HE BECOMES A DISCIPLE —



AND THERE WAS A WEDDING FEAST IN CANA OF GALILEE — JESUS, HIS MOTHER, AND HIS DISCIPLES WERE THERE —



THE MONEY CHANGERS DRIVEN FROM THE TEMPLE

JESUS WITH HIS DISCIPLES VISITS JERUSALEM WHERE GREAT CROWDS ARE ATTENDING THE FEAST OF THE PASSOVER, THE GREAT ANNUAL JEWISH CELEBRATION

THIS PASSOVER CELEBRATION CERTAINLY BRINGS PEOPLE HERE FROM ALL OVER!

YES, AND A LOT OF GRAFTING TRADERS AND MONEY CHANGERS!

JESUS MAKES A WHIP FROM CORDS

THE MASTER IS ANGRY—THE MONEY CHANGERS DEFILE THE TEMPLE BY THEIR UNHOLY BUSINESS!

HUSH! WAIT!

TAKE THESE THINGS HENCE! MAKE NOT MY FATHER'S HOUSE A HOUSE OF MERCHANDISE.

THEY ARE GETTING WHAT THEY DESERVE!

WE PAID TO HAVE A PLACE IN THIS TEMPLE!

BY WHAT AUTHORITY ARE YOU DOING THIS?

WILL YOU TH...

JESUS KNOWS THAT THIS IS THE BEGINNING OF TROUBLE—HE REFERS TO HIS BODY AS A TEMPLE WHICH THEY WISH TO DESTROY

DESTROY THIS TEMPLE AND IN THREE DAYS I WILL RAISE IT UP!

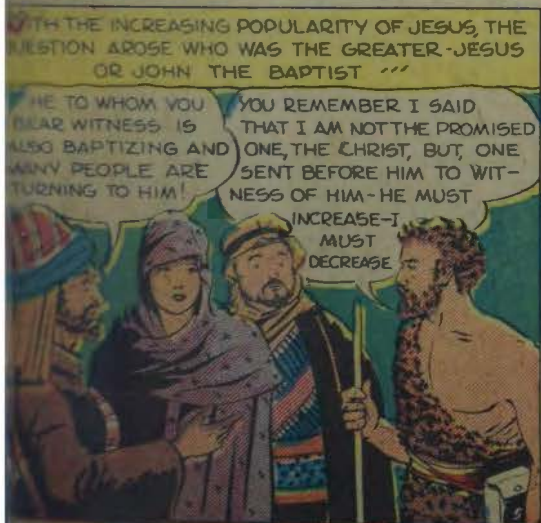
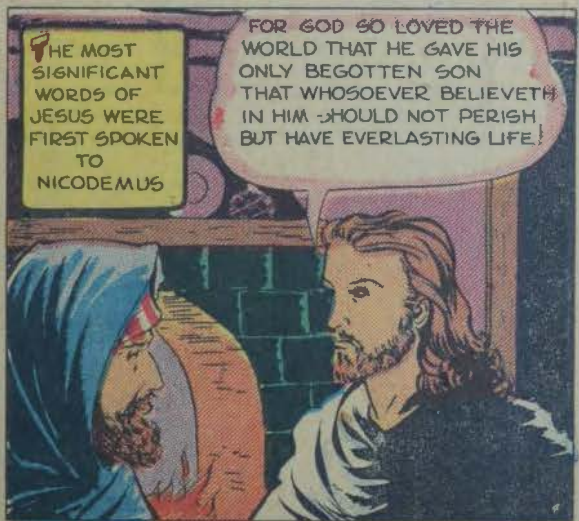
RESTORE THE TEMPLE IN THREE DAYS? HE IS SILLY TO SAY THIS—IT TOOK 46 YEARS TO BUILD THE TEMPLE!

JESUS' REFERENCE TO THE TEMPLE WAS MADE CLEAR WHEN LATER, THREE DAYS AFTER HIS CRUCIFIXION, HE ROSE FROM THE DEAD

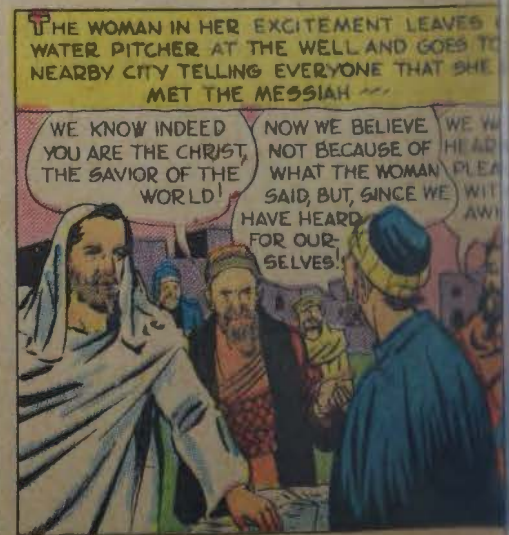
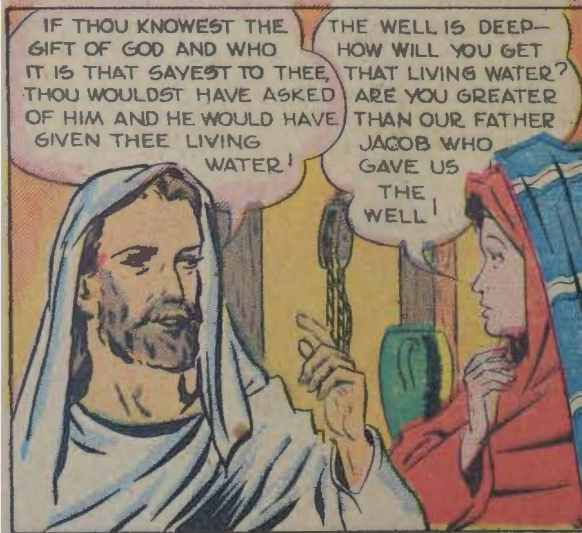
A JEWISH RULER, NICODEMUS, LEARNING OF JESUS' MIRACLES IS ANXIOUS TO MEET HIM— HE COMES TO SEE JESUS BY NIGHT

I'LL LEARN FOR MYSELF IF THIS JESUS IS THE PROMISED MESSIAH!

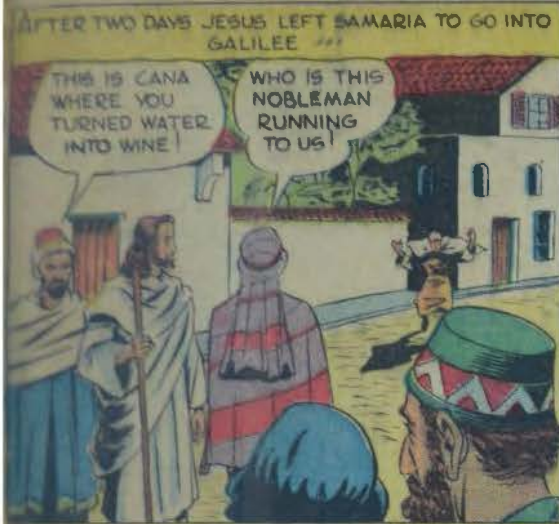
NICODEMUS, A RELIGIOUS LEADER, VISITS JESUS



JESUS TALKS WITH THE SAMARITAN WOMAN AT THE WELL



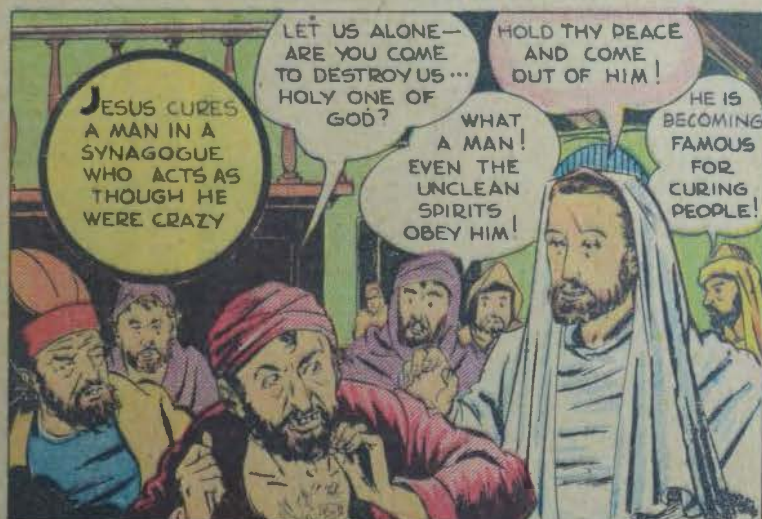
A NOBLEMAN'S SON IS HEALED



JESUS PREACHES IN NAZARETH, AND IS REJECTED



THE GREAT CATCH OF FISH, PETER'S MOTHER-IN-LAW HEALED

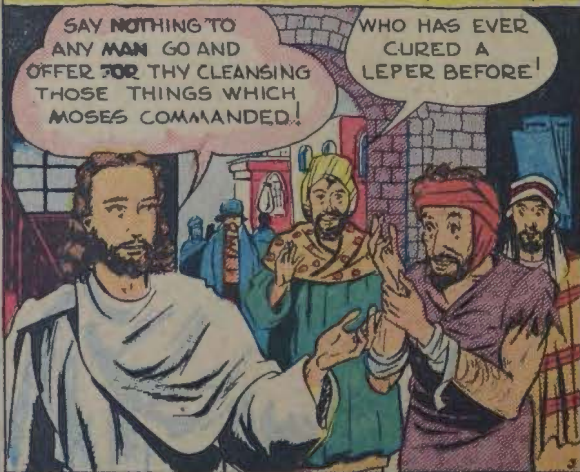


A LEPER AND THE PARALYZED MAN ARE CURED

JESUS, AFTER A BUSY DAY OF HEALING, GOES INTO A DESERT PLACE BUT EVEN HERE PEOPLE FLOCK TO HIM



JESUS CURES THE LEPER AND ASKS HIM TO TELL NO ONE—BUT THE LEPER IS TOO HAPPY TO KEEP QUIET!



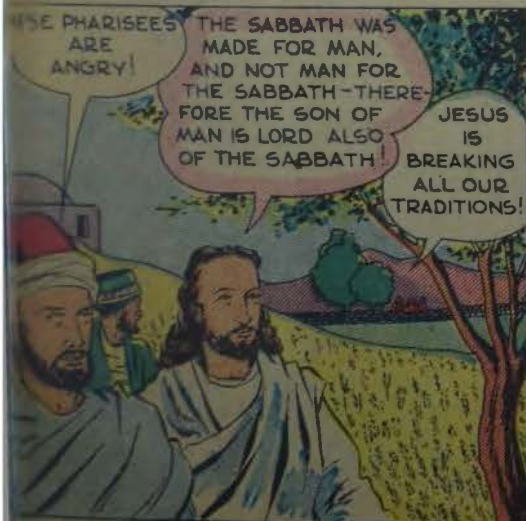
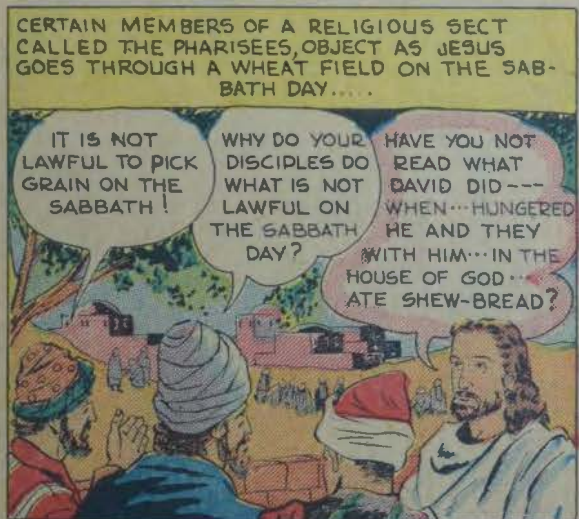
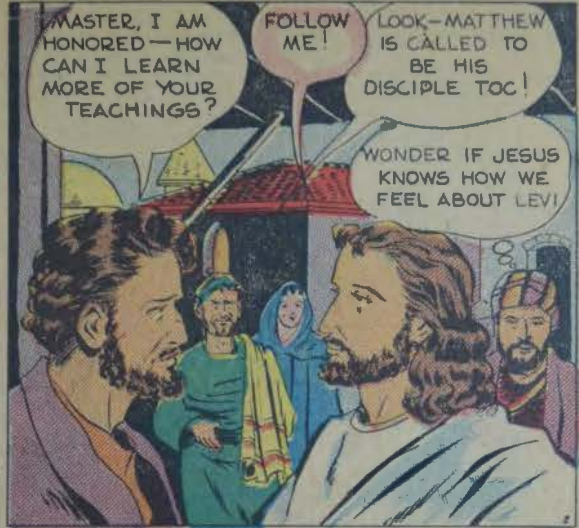
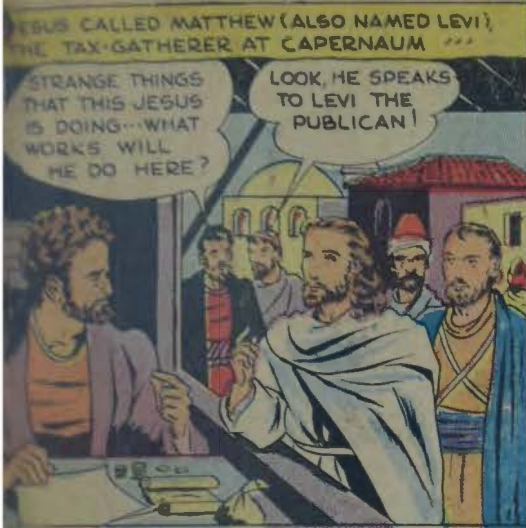
AND IN CAPERNAUM, LIVED A MAN WHO WAS PARALYZED



JESUS REWARDS THE FAITH AND THE DEEDS OF THE FOUR FRIENDS

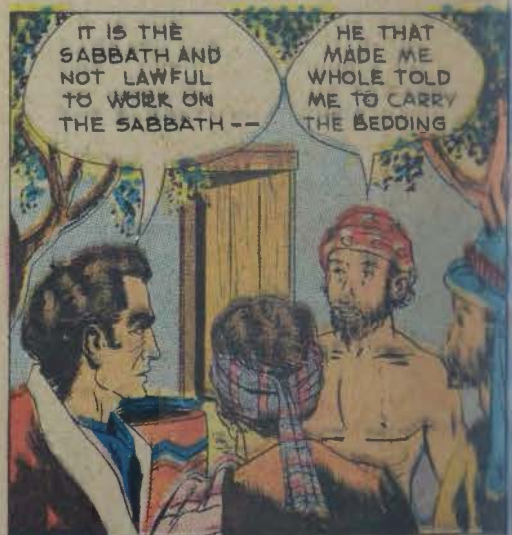
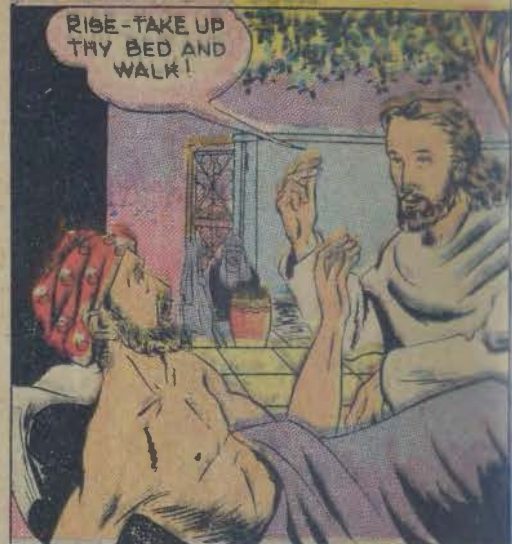


JESUS IS CRITICIZED FOR BREAKING TRADITIONS



OPPOSITION TO JESUS INCREASES

PEOPLE BELIEVED THAT WHEN THE WATER MOVED ABOUT, IT WAS BECAUSE OF AN ANGEL, AND THAT THE FIRST SICK PERSON STEPPING IN, WOULD THEN BE HEALED....



THE TWELVE DISCIPLES ARE CHOSEN

A FEW MORE PHARISEES SEEK TO ACCUSE JESUS OF VIOLATING THE SABBATH DAY....



JESUS DEFIES THEM AND HEALS AGAIN ON THE SABBATH DAY...

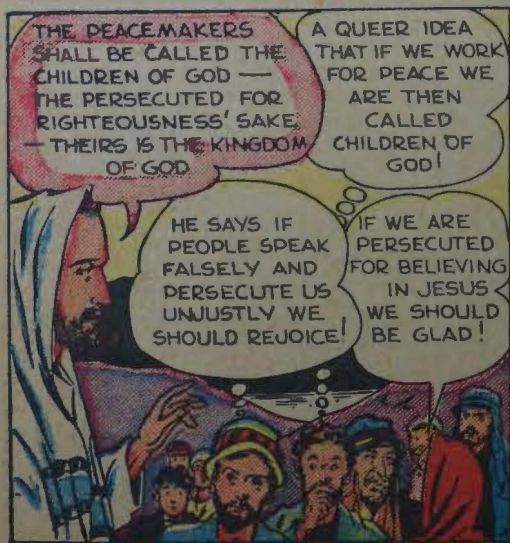
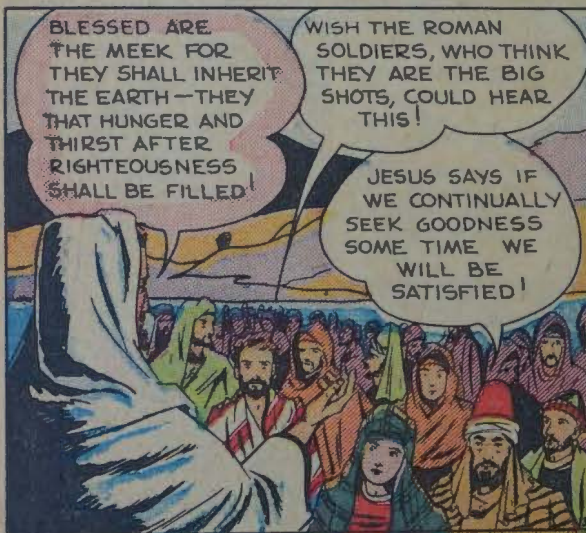


HE CHOSE TWELVE AND NAMED THEM APOSTLES

SIMON (CALLED PETER)
 ANDREW (PETER'S BROTHER)
 JAMES AND JOHN (SONS OF ZEBEDEE)
 PHILIP
 BARTHOLOMEW ALSO CALLED NATHANIEL
 MATTHEW (CALLED LEVI)
 THOMAS
 JAMES (SON OF ALPHEAUS)
 SIMON (THE CANAANITE, ZELOTES)
 THADDEUS (LEBBEUS, JUDE)
 JUDAS ISCARIOT

THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT-THE BEATITUDES

.... AND SEEING THE MULTITUDE, JESUS WENT UP INTO A MOUNTAIN AND TAUGHT THE PEOPLE SAYING:



CENTURION'S SERVANT CURED - WIDOW'S SON RAISED FROM DEAD



A SERVANT OF A ROMAN CENTURION IS DYING IN CAPERNAUM

GO TO JESUS WHO IS HEALING OTHERS - ASK HIM TO CURE MY DEVOTED SERVANT

YOU HAVE BEEN GOOD TO OUR NATION - TO DO AS YOU ASK IS VERY LITTLE



THE CENTURION'S FRIENDS COME TO JESUS AS HE AND HIS DISCIPLES ARE ENTERING CAPERNAUM

OUR ROMAN FRIEND, A WORTHY MAN, WHO BUILT US A SYNAGOGUE HAS A DYING SERVANT - WILL YOU COME?

I WILL COME AND HEAL HIM



I AM NOT WORTHY - HAVE YOU COME UNDER MY ROOF - IT SPEAKS THE WORD ONLY AND I KNOW MY SERVANT SHALL BE HEALED!

HE THINKS JESUS CAN COMMAND SICKNESS TO DEPART JUST LIKE THE CENTURION ORDERS HIS SOLDIERS TO GO OR TO COME!

I SAY UNTO YOU I HAVE NOT FOUND SUCH GREAT FAITH NO, NOT IN ALL ISRAEL

AND HIS SICK SERVANT WAS FOUND INSIDE THE HOUSE ENTIRELY CURED



A FUNERAL PROCESSION, MASTER!

YES, THIS WIDOW OF NAIN HAS LOST HER ONLY SON!



WEEP NOT - WOMAN... I SAY UNTO THEE, YOUNG MAN, ARISE!



HE IS ALIVE!

MOTHER, I AM WELL!

A GREAT PROPHET IS AMONG US!

GOD HAS VISITED HIS PEOPLE!

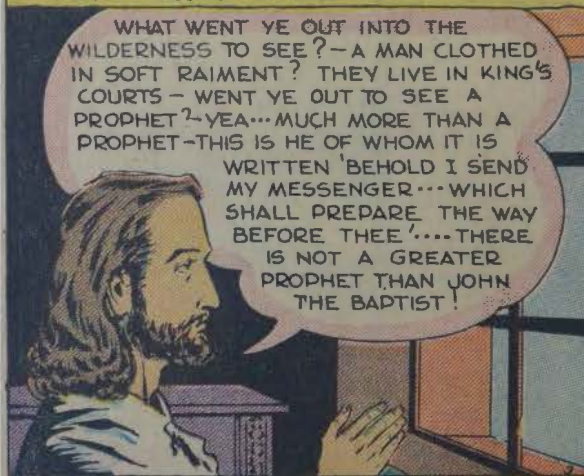
WHILE JESUS WAS PREACHING AND HEALING, JOHN THE BAPTIST WAS PUT IN PRISON BECAUSE HE REBUKED HEROD ANTIPAS FOR LIVING WITH HIS BROTHER'S WIFE.



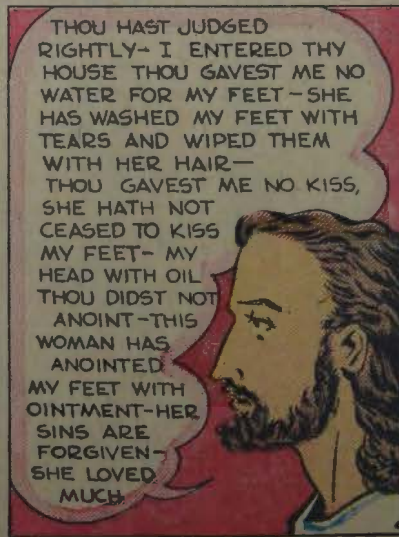
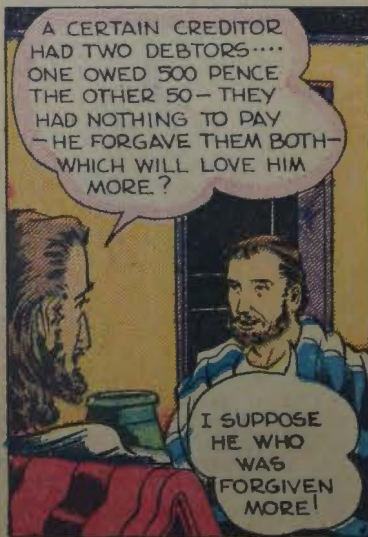
JOHN THE BAPTIST HAS SENT US ARE YOU THE PROMISED ONE OR MUST WE LOOK FOR ANOTHER?



WHEN JOHN THE BAPTIST'S MESSENGERS DEPART JESUS PRAISES HIM.



WHILE JESUS IS IN A PHARISEE'S HOME A WOMAN OF THE STREET COMES IN, CARRYING AN ALABASTER BOX OF OINTMENT



JESUS ACCUSED OF CURING THROUGH THE POWER OF DEVILS

LARGE CROWDS CONTINUE TO FOLLOW JESUS AS HE GOES TO MANY CITIES OF GALILEE

PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN HEALED FOLLOW JESUS TO HEAR HIM SPEAK!

THERE'S MARY MAGDALENE OUT OF WHOM HE CAST SEVEN DEVILS!

—AND THERE ARE JOANNA AND SUSANNA—BOTH MINISTER TO HIS WANTS!



A MAN WHO IS BLIND, DUMB AND DEMENTED IS BROUGHT TO JESUS

LOOK, JESUS TOUCHES HIM — HE SEES AND SPEAKS!

THE VERY DEVILS SEEM TO HAVE COME OUT OF HIM!

JESUS CASTS OUT THE DEVILS WITH THE HELP OF SATAN!



JESUS SEVERELY REBUKES THOSE WHO SAY THAT HE CURES THROUGH THE POWER OF BEELZEBUB. THE PRINCE OF DEVILS INSTEAD OF BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

IF SATAN CAST OUT SATAN, HE IS DIVIDED AGAINST HIMSELF... BUT IF I CAST OUT DEVILS BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD, THEN THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS COME UNTO YOU... WHO-SOEVER SPEAKETH AGAINST THE HOLY SPIRIT IT SHALL NOT BE FORGIVEN HIM!



THE RELIGIOUS LEADERS, THE SCRIBES AND PHARISEES ASK JESUS TO PROVE HIS POWER BY ANOTHER SIGN—HE TELLS THEM THEY NEED TO REPENT—NOT TO HAVE A SIGN----

SHOW US ANOTHER SIGN, WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE IT!

...THERE SHALL NO SIGN BE GIVEN... BUT THE SIGN OF THE PROPHET JONAH... THE MEN OF NINEVEH... REPENTED AT THE PREACHING OF JONAH... A GREATER THAN JONAH IS HERE — THE QUEEN OF SHEBA CAME... TO HEAR THE WISDOM OF SOLOMON... BEHOLD, A GREATER THAN SOLOMON IS HERE!



JESUS KNOWING THE SPIRIT OF EVIL IS IN HIS QUESTIONERS TELLS HOW AN EVIL SPIRIT MULTIPLIES ITS POWER

WHEN THE UNCLEAN SPIRIT HAS GONE OUT OF A MAN... HE SEEKETH REST AND FINDETH NONE—THEN HE SAITH I WILL RETURN... FROM WHENCE I CAME... HE FINDETH IT EMPTY, SWEEPED AND ADORNED, THEN... HE... TAKETH SEVEN OTHER SPIRITS MORE WICKED THAN HIMSELF AND THEY ENTER IN AND DWELL THERE... THE LAST STATE OF THAT MAN IS WORSE THAN THE FIRST!



JESUS USES THE VISIT OF HIS FAMILY TO EXPLAIN THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN HIMSELF AND HIS BELIEVERS

MASTER, YOUR MOTHER AND YOUR FOUR BROTHERS ARE OUTSIDE, THEY WANT TO SPEAK TO YOU!

WHOEVER SHALL DO THE WILL OF MY FATHER WHO IS IN HEAVEN, THE SAME IS MY BROTHER, SISTER AND MOTHER!



JESUS EXPLAINS GREAT TRUTHS BY PARABLES

JESUS TELLS STORIES, CALLED PARABLES, A SIMPLE WAY OF TEACHING THE GREAT SPIRITUAL TRUTHS, TO THE PEOPLE GATHERED ALONG THE SHORE OF THE SEA OF GALILEE ---

IF YOU TELL STORIES, ALL THE PEOPLE, EVEN THE DULLEST, WILL UNDERSTAND!

BEHOLD THERE WENT OUT A SOWER TO SOW ---



AS HE SOWED SOME SEED FELL BY THE WAYSIDE AND THE FOWL OF THE AIR CAME AND DEVoured IT UP ---



AND SOME FELL ON STONY GROUND WHERE IT HAD NOT MUCH EARTH AND IMMEDIATELY IT SPRUNG UP --- AND WHEN THE SUN WAS UP IT WAS SCORCHED AND BECAUSE IT HAD NO ROOT, IT WITHERED AWAY

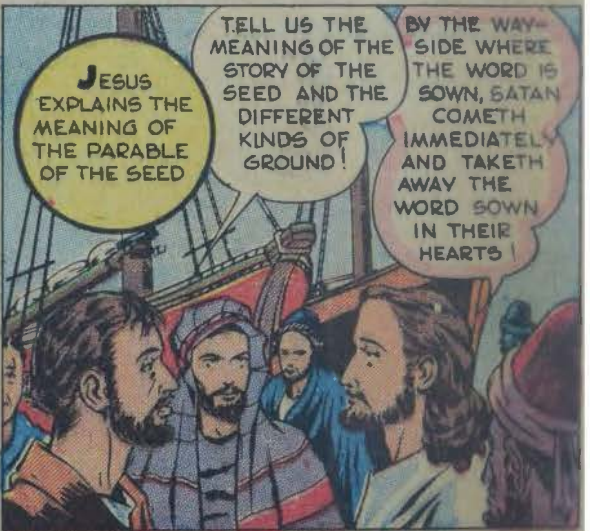


AND SOME FELL AMONG THORNS, THE THORNS GREW UP AND CHOKED IT AND IT YIELDED NO FRUIT ---



AND OTHER FELL ON GOOD GROUND AND DID YIELD FRUIT THAT SPRANG UP AND BROUGHT FORTH SOME THIRTY, SOME SIXTY AND SOME ONE HUNDRED FOLD ---

THIS IS A SPLENDID YIELD!



JESUS EXPLAINS THE MEANING OF THE PARABLE OF THE SEED

TELL US THE MEANING OF THE STORY OF THE SEED AND THE DIFFERENT KINDS OF GROUND!

BY THE WAY--SIDE WHERE THE WORD IS SOWN, SATAN COMETH IMMEDIATELY AND TAKETH AWAY THE WORD SOWN IN THEIR HEARTS!

THE SEED ON THE STONY GROUND ARE THEY WHO WHEN THEY RECEIVE THE WORD IMMEDIATELY RECEIVE IT WITH GLADNESS AND HAVE NO ROOT IN THEMSELVES AND SO ENDURE BUT FOR A TIME. AFTERWARDS WHEN AFFLICTION OR PERSECUTION ARISES FOR THE WORD'S SAKE IMMEDIATELY, THEY ARE OFFENDED

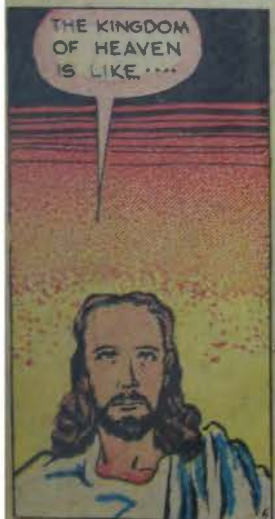
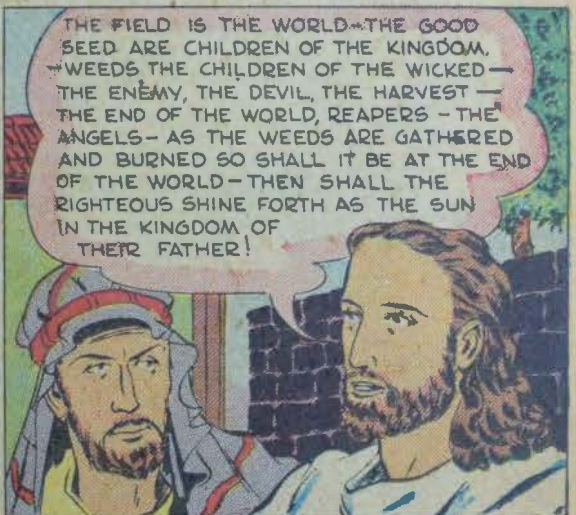
THOSE SOWN AMONG THE THORNS HEAR THE WORD AND THE CARES OF THIS WORLD AND THE DECEITFULNESS OF RICHES AND THE LUSTS OF OTHER THINGS ENTERING IN, CHOKETH THE WORD, AND IT BECOMETH UNFRUITFUL.



THOSE SOWN ON GOOD GROUND RECEIVE IT AND BRING FORTH FRUIT SOME THIRTY FOLD, SOME SIXTY AND SOME ONE HUNDRED FOLD.

THE PARABLE OF THE SEEDS AND VARIOUS KINDS OF SOIL

JESUS EXPLAINS OTHER PARABLES TO HIS DISCIPLES





BY THESE STORIES WE ARE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND YOUR TEACHINGS!

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE

"...A TREASURE HID IN A FIELD"



SEE WHAT I HAVE FOUND! IT'S NOT MINE UNLESS I OWN THIS FIELD - I'LL SELL ALL THAT I HAVE AND PURCHASE IT!



"A MERCHANT SEEKING GOODLY PEARLS"

HERE IS ONE OF THE FINEST AND BIGGEST PEARLS I EVER FOUND IN MY OYSTERS - WANT TO BUY IT?

THAT'S JUST THE SIZE TO COMPLETE THE PEARL NECKLACE - I WILL SELL ALL I HAVE TO GET IT!

YES, I'LL BUY IT!



"...THE KINGDOM IS LIKE UNTO A NET.... CAST INTO THE SEA"

LOOKS LIKE A GOOD HAUL!

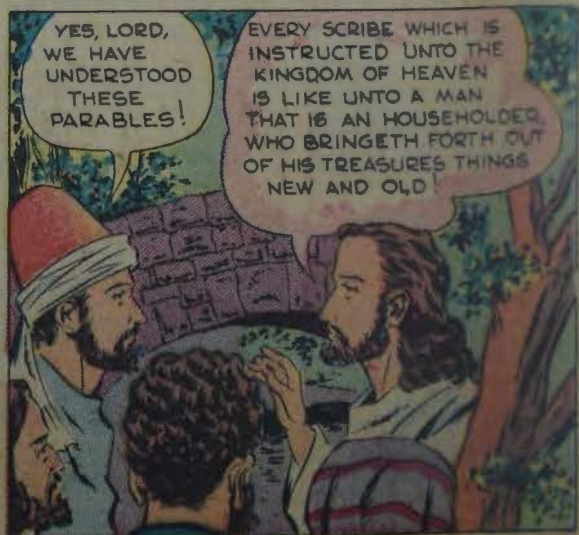
YES BUT WHAT KIND WILL THEY BE?



"AT THE END OF THE WORLD THE ANGELS SHALL COME FORTH AND SEPARATE THE WICKED FROM AMONG THE JUST"

ENOUGH GOOD ONES TO EAT AND SELL!

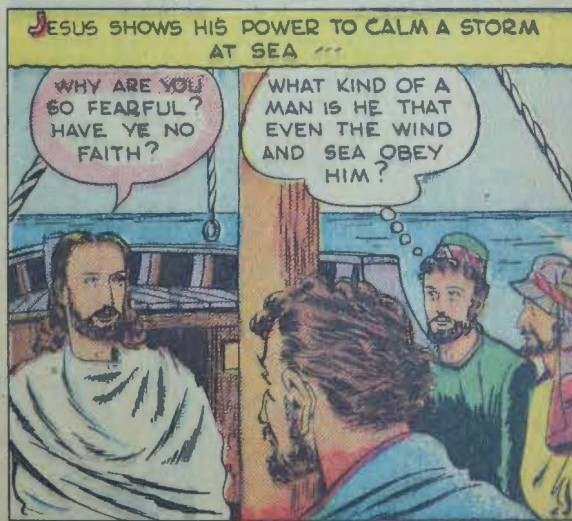
SEA GULLS, TOO WILL HAVE A FEAST!



YES, LORD, WE HAVE UNDERSTOOD THESE PARABLES!

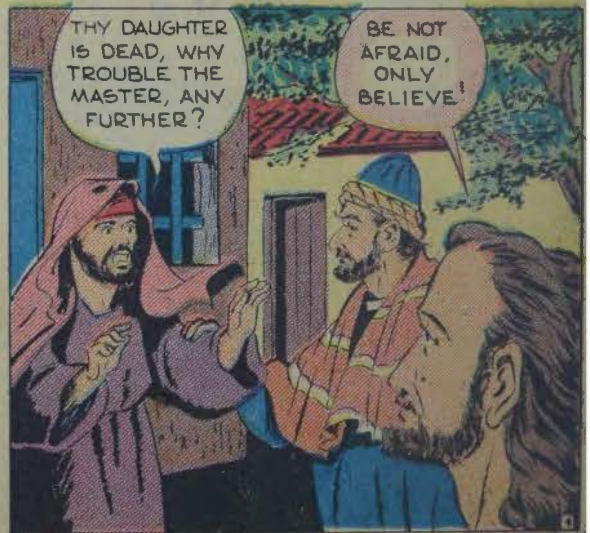
EVERY SCRIBE WHICH IS INSTRUCTED UNTO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKE UNTO A MAN THAT IS AN HOUSEHOLDER WHO BRINGETH FORTH OUT OF HIS TREASURES THINGS NEW AND OLD!

THE STILLING OF THE STORM

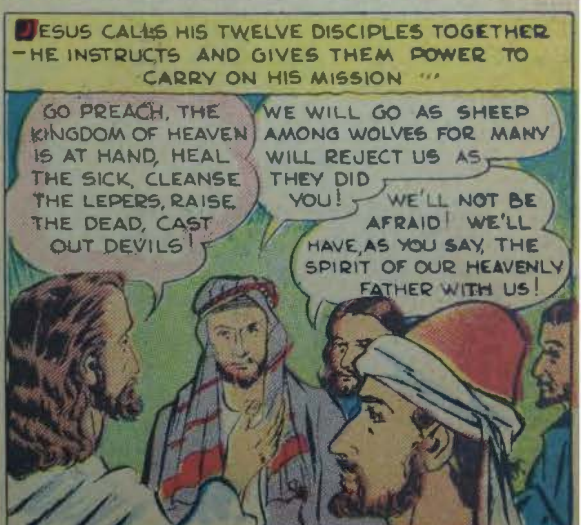
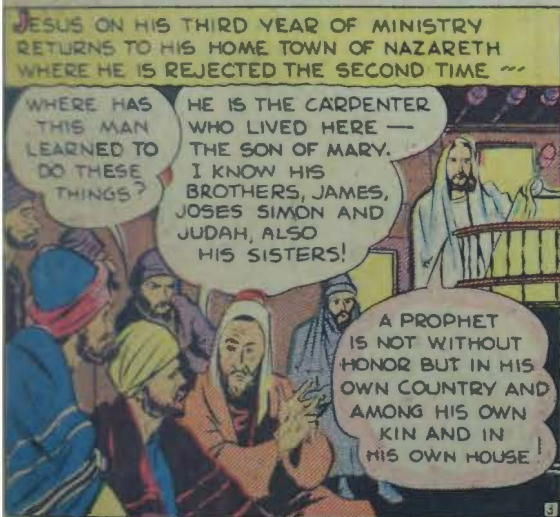
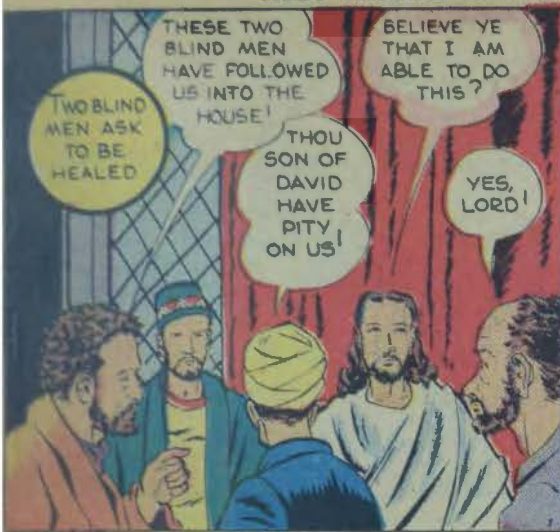


HEALING JAIRUS' DAUGHTER

WHILE JESUS IS SPEAKING TO THE MULTITUDE IN CAPERNAUM, JAIRUS, AN OFFICIAL OF THE SYNAGOGUE BEGS HIM TO HEAL HIS ONLY DAUGHTER, 12 YEARS OLD.



JESUS REJECTED AT NAZARETH THE SECOND TIME



HEROD HAS JOHN THE BAPTIST BEHEADED

THE DISCIPLES, TWO BY TWO, GO FORTH TO VARIOUS CITIES

HOW WONDERFUL, NOW, WITH JESUS POWER, TO BE ABLE TO HEAL THE SICK!

YES, AND TO CAST OUT DEVILS!

AND BEST OF ALL TO TELL PEOPLE HOW TO LIVE CLOSE TO GOD AND BE HAPPY!



MEANWHILE, JOHN THE BAPTIST IS STILL IN PRISON BECAUSE HE CONTINUES TO DENOUNCE KING HEROD.

KING HEROD IS LIVING UNLAWFULLY WITH HERODIAS, THE WIFE OF HIS BROTHER PHILIP!

HE IS IN JAIL FOR SAYING THIS!



JOHN'S DENUNCIATION IS BROUGHT TO THE EARS OF HERODIAS

DID YOU HEAR WHAT JOHN THE BAPTIST SAID ABOUT YOU!

DON'T WORRY... HE'LL BE SORRY!



KING HEROD HAS A BIRTHDAY PARTY AT WHICH HERODIAS' DAUGHTER DANCES

YOUR DANCING IS WONDERFUL, ASK WHAT YOU WILL, I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU!



I'LL HAVE HER ASK FOR THE HEAD OF JOHN THE BAPTIST — THIS IS MY CHANCE TO GET REVENGE!

THE DAUGHTER, INSTRUCTED BY HER MOTHER WHAT TO ASK FOR, REQUESTS THE HEAD OF JOHN THE BAPTIST.

I WANT YOU TO GIVE ME, ON A CHARGER, THE HEAD OF JOHN THE BAPTIST!

BECAUSE OF MY PROMISE BEFORE THESE PEOPLE I WILL HAVE TO COMPLY —



AFTER HEROD BEHEADS JOHN THE BAPTIST HE IS WORRIED WHEN HE HEARS OF JESUS' WONDERFUL WORKS

SIRE, A MAN IS GOING AROUND GALILEE PREACHING AND PERFORMING GREAT MIRACLES!

IT IS JOHN WHOM I HAD BEHEADED HE HAS RISEN FROM THE DEAD!



THE FEEDING OF THE FIVE THOUSAND

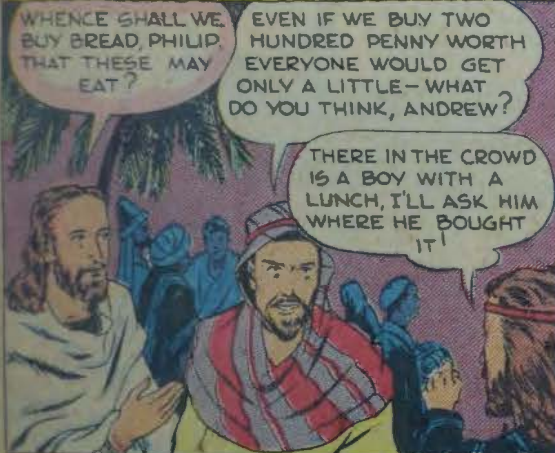
JESUS' DISCIPLES TIRED OUT FROM THEIR MISSION RETURN AND REPORT ON WHAT THEY HAVE DONE AND TAUGHT



THINKING TO GET SOME REST AWAY FROM THE EVER INCREASING CROWD, JESUS AND HIS DISCIPLES SAIL TO A DESERT SHORE - EVEN THERE THE CROWDS PRECEDED THEM



JESUS TESTS THE FAITH OF HIS DISCIPLES BY ASKING THEM TO FEED THE MULTITUDE



JESUS, AFTER THANKING GOD FOR THE LOAVES AND FISHES TELLS THE DISCIPLES TO DISTRIBUTE THEM TO THE MULTITUDE



THEREFORE THEY GATHERED TOGETHER INTO TWELVE BASKETS THE FRAGMENTS WHICH WERE LEFT OVER AFTER ALL THE PEOPLE HAD EATEN

IN ORDER THAT HE BE ALONE FOR PRAYER - HE SENDS THE MULTITUDE AWAY AND ASKS HIS DISCIPLES TO SAIL AROUND THE TURN IN THE LAKE, WHERE HE WILL JOIN THEM.



JESUS, FROM THE SHORE, SEES THE DISCIPLES IN A SEVERE STORM MAKING LITTLE HEADWAY IN THEIR ROWING



WE'RE NOT GETTING VERY FAR IN THIS STORM!

WISH JESUS WERE WITH US AGAIN TO CALM THIS TEMPEST!

SUDDENLY THE DISCIPLES ARE AWED TO SEE A SPIRIT-LIKE FORM WALKING ON THE WATER



LOOK, SEE THE SPIRIT ON THE WATER!

DID YOU EVER SEE ANYTHING LIKE IT, PETER?

BE OF GOOD CHEER, IT IS I, BE NOT AFRAID!

LORD, IF IT IS YOU, LET ME COME TO YOU ON THE WATER!



PETER ATTEMPTS TO GO TO JESUS WALKING ON THE WATER —

LORD SAVE ME! - I'M SINKING!

O, THOU OF LITTLE FAITH, WHEREFORE DOEST THOU DOUBT —

WHEN THEY WERE COME INTO THE SHIP THE WIND CEASED



YOU ARE TRULY THE SON OF GOD!

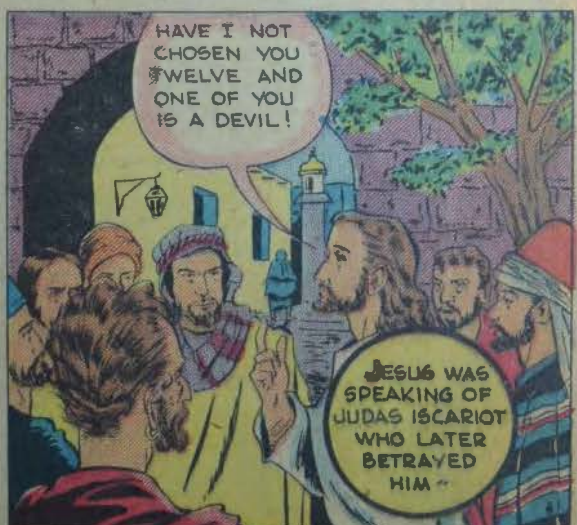
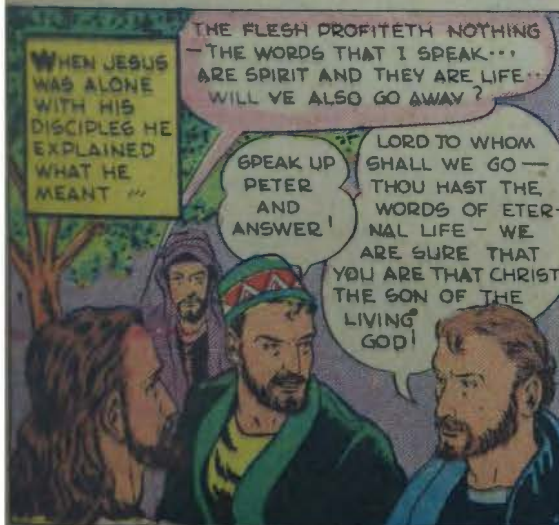
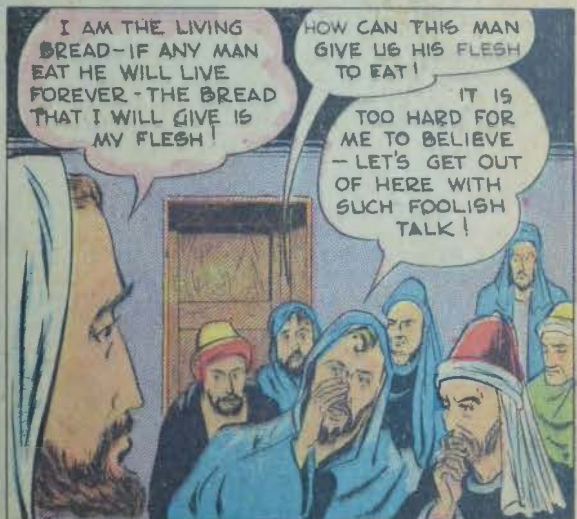
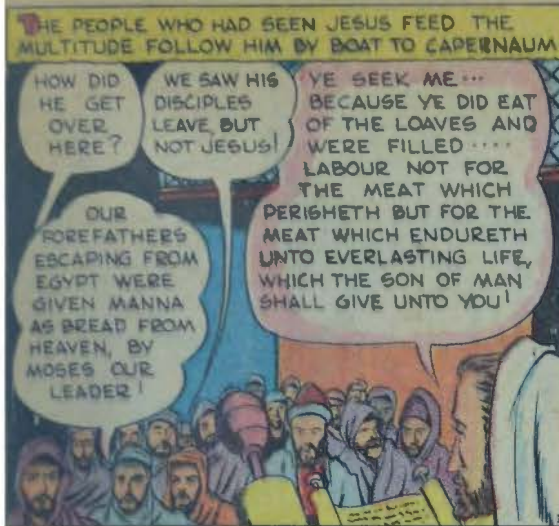
WHEN JESUS LEFT THE BOAT ON THE OTHER SIDE PEOPLE WERE THERE AGAIN BRINGING THEIR SICK



OH, MASTER CURE MY POOR BOY!

CURE MY BLINDNESS MASTER!

IF I JUST TOUCH THE BORDER OF HIS GARMENT I'LL BE HEALED!



THE PHARISEES AND SCRIBES TRY TO TRAP JESUS

THE FAME OF JESUS BRINGS PHARISEES AND SCRIBES FROM JERUSALEM TO HEAR HIM AT CAPERNAUM—SOME FIND FAULT WITH HIS DISCIPLES //

WHY DO YOUR DISCIPLES NOT OBSERVE THE TRADITIONS OF OUR ELDERS, BUT HURRIEDLY EAT WITHOUT WASHING THEIR HANDS?

YES AND THEY ARE NOT PARTICULAR ABOUT CERTAIN CEREMONIES OF WASHING POTS AND CUPS!

WELL HATH ESAIAS PROPHESIED OF YOU HYPOCRITES—THIS PEOPLE HONORETH ME WITH THEIR LIPS, BUT THEIR HEART IS FAR FROM ME!



FOR LAYING ASIDE THE COMMANDMENT OF GOD YE HOLD THE TRADITION OF MEN... AS THE WASHING OF POTS AND CUPS!

HE'S TELLING THEM STRAIGHT THAT WASHING HANDS SIMPLY TO KEEP A TRADITION IS UNNECESSARY!



JESUS REBUKES THOSE RELIGIOUS LEADERS FOR OBSERVING TRADITIONS MADE BY MAN BUT BREAKING THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD //

MOSES SAID "HONOR THY FATHER AND THY MOTHER" YE MAKE THE WORD OF GOD OF NONE EFFECT THROUGH YOUR TRADITIONS!

I KNOW WHAT HE REFERS TO—TO GET OUT OF SUPPORTING THEIR FATHER OR MOTHER THEY SAY THAT MONEY INTENDED FOR THEM IS CORBAN WHICH MEANS AN OBLIGATION TO GOD!

THROUGH THIS TRADITION THEY DON'T GIVE IT TO GOD BUT TO THEMSELVES



THE PHARISEES AND SCRIBES UNABLE TO TRAP JESUS LEAVE IN ANGER //

THERE IS NOTHING FROM WITHOUT THAT CAN DEFILE A MAN!

NOW, HE IS SAYING THERE IS NO DEFILED FOOD!

THIS IS DANGEROUS TEACHING—LET'S LEAVE!



DID YOU KNOW THAT THESE PHARISEES WERE OFFENDED AT WHAT YOU SAID?

BESIDE BREAKING THE SABBATH—THEY NOW SAY YOU ARE BREAKING THEIR OTHER TRADITIONS!

LET THEM ALONE. THEY ARE BLIND LEADERS OF THE BLIND... BOTH SHALL FALL INTO THE DITCH!



WHEN THE DISCIPLES WERE ALONE WITH JESUS, PETER ASKED FOR MORE EXPLANATION //

MASTER, PLEASE EXPLAIN A LITTLE FURTHER ABOUT HOW ONE IS DEFILED!

WHATSOEVER THING FROM WITHOUT ENTERETH INTO THE MAN CANNOT DEFILE HIM BECAUSE IT ENTERETH NOT IN HIS HEART—FROM WITHIN, OUT OF THE HEART OF MAN PROCEED EVIL THOUGHTS—ALL THESE EVIL THINGS COME FROM WITHIN, AND DEFILE THE MAN!



ALONG THE COAST CITIES OF TYRE AND SIDON WHERE JESUS AND HIS DISCIPLES GO TO GET REST, LIVES A CANAANITE WOMAN WITH A SICK DAUGHTER

THE GREAT JEWISH DOCTOR WHO HAS CURED OTHERS CAN CURE YOUR LITTLE GIRL!

YES, I KNOW HE CAN-THERE HE IS APPROACHING I WILL PLEAD WITH HIM!



HAVE MERCY ON ME, OH LORD! MY LITTLE DAUGHTER IS GRIEVOUSLY VEXED WITH A DEVIL!

JESUS MAKES NO REPLY TO THE MOTHER'S PLEADING

THIS GENTILE WOMAN IS BOTHERING JESUS!



CONTRARY TO JESUS' USUAL RESPONSE FOR HELP HE SEEMS TO DENY THIS WOMAN'S REQUEST

SEND HER AWAY FOR SHE HAS BEEN CRYING AFTER US!

I AM NOT SENT BUT TO THE LOST SHEEP OF THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL!

WE HAVE ENOUGH TO DO WITHOUT BEING BOTHERED BY HER!



THE MOTHER PERSISTS IN HER PLEAS FOR HER LITTLE GIRL

IT IS NOT MEET TO TAKE THE CHILDREN'S BREAD AND TO CAST IT TO THE DOGS!

IT IS TRUE, MASTER, YET THE LITTLE DOGS UNDER THE TABLE EAT THE CRUMBS FROM THE MASTER'S TABLE!



GO, WOMAN GREAT IS THY FAITH, BE IT UNTO THEE EVEN AS THOU WILT!



MOTHER FINDS DAUGHTER AS JESUS HAD STATED, CURED, FROM THE TIME HE HAD SPOKEN

MOTHER, I KNOW I AM CURED NOW!

MY DAUGHTER!



THE DEAF AND DUMB BOY CURED

JESUS WITH HIS DISCIPLES GOES TO THE SEA OF GALILEE. CROWDS FOLLOW HIM UP THE MOUNTAIN SIDE

IT SEEMS THAT PEOPLE WITH EVERY KIND OF SICKNESS HAVE BEEN BROUGHT TO JESUS!

YES, WE HAVE SEEN THE LAME, THE BLIND, THE DUMB AND INJURED PEOPLE ALL CURED!

PRaise GOD FOR ALL THESE CURES!



HERE THEY ARE BRINGING ANOTHER YOUNG MAN!

MASTER, THIS YOUNG MAN IS DEAF AND TONGUE-TIED FOR MANY YEARS. PLEASE PUT YOUR HAND UPON HIM AND CURE HIM!

JESUS IS GOING TO HELP HIM!



THERE IS POWER IN JESUS' TOUCH!

YES, SEE WHAT HAPPENS!

JESUS LEADS THE YOUNG MAN AWAY FROM THE MULTITUDE



THIS IS AN UNUSUAL CASE - HE IS RESTORING HIS HEARING - NOW, HE IS WORKING ON HIS SPEECH!

HE HAS TWO THINGS TO CURE - HE IS TONGUE-TIED AND DEAF!



JESUS COMPLETES THE CURE BY SAYING "BE OPENED" - IN ARAMAIC, THE LANGUAGE OF THE JEWS OF THAT PERIOD.

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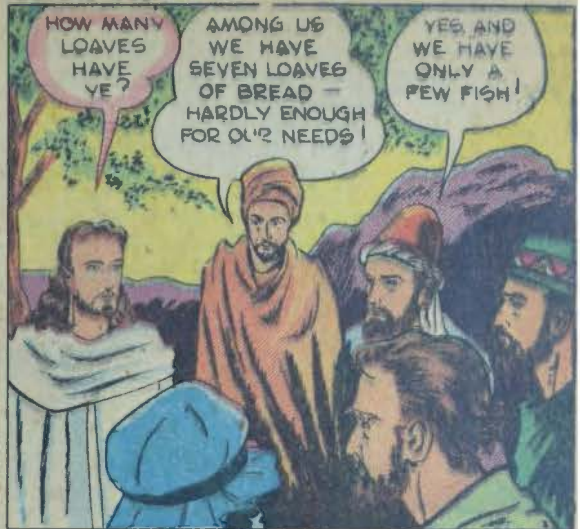
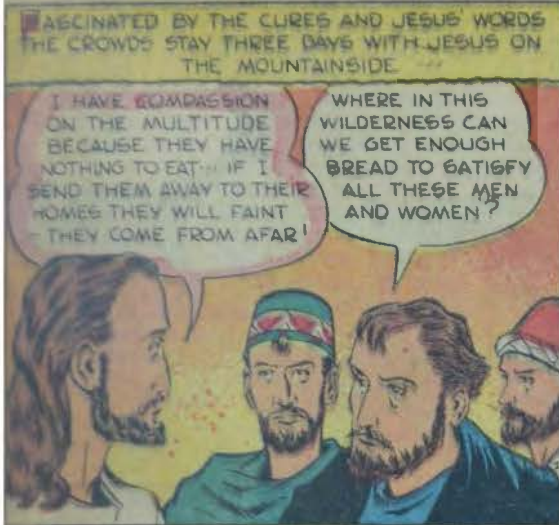
THOUGH JESUS ASKED THIS MAN AND HIS FRIEND NOT TO TELL OF THE CURES, THEY COULD NOT KEEP QUIET BECAUSE OF THEIR GREAT JOY

WHAT A WONDER WORKER AND TO THINK I CAN NOW SPEAK AND HEAR!

IT IS ASTONISHING!



THE FOUR THOUSAND FED

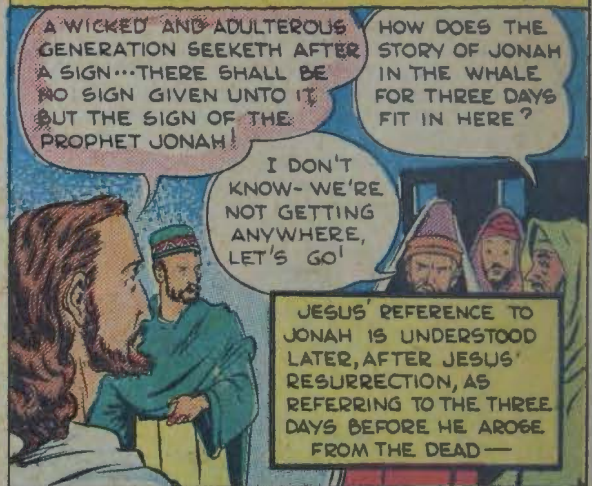


WARNING AGAINST THE TEACHINGS OF THE PHARISEES

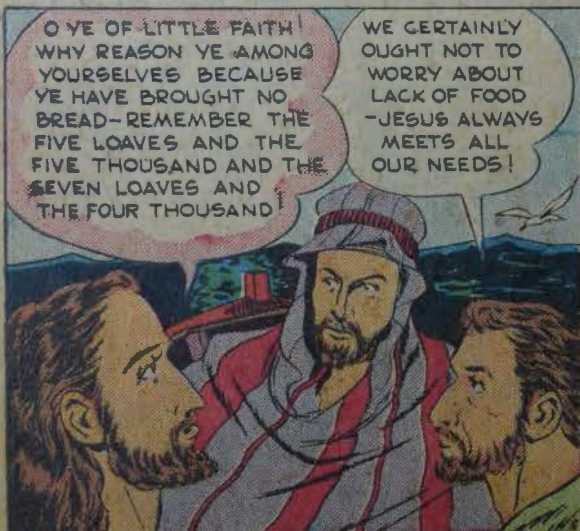
WHEN JESUS HAD GONE BY SHIP TO CAPERNAUM ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE LAKE, A GROUP OF PHARISEES AND SADDUCEES (ANOTHER RELIGIOUS SECT) CAME TO TRIP HIM WITH QUESTIONS.



JESUS REFUSES TO BE A MERE MAGICIAN TO SATISFY THESE PHARISEES AND SADDUCEES



WHEN JESUS AND HIS DISCIPLES CAME TO THE OTHER SIDE OF THE LAKE, THEY HAD FORGOTTEN TO TAKE FOOD...



A YOUNG BLIND MAN CURED

IN BETHSAIDA JESUS WAS ASKED TO CURE A YOUNG BLIND MAN

PLEASE, MASTER, TOUCH THE EYES OF MY FRIEND AND CURE HIM!

THIS TOWN IS NOT THE PLACE WHERE JESUS WILL HEAL HIM!

JESUS TAKES THE BLIND MAN AND LEADS HIM OUT OF THE TOWN

JESUS SEEMS TO BE PRESSING HIS LIPS AGAINST THE MAN'S EYES!

THIS IS A DIFFICULT CASE TO CURE!

JESUS' METHOD APPEARS TO BE ONLY PARTIALLY SUCCESSFUL

JESUS ASKS HIM IF HE CAN SEE ANYTHING!

AS I LOOK UP I SEE INDISTINCTLY MEN AS TREES WALKING!

ANOTHER TOUCH AND THE MAN SEES

JESUS WILL NOT BE SATISFIED UNTIL HIS VISION IS COMPLETELY RESTORED!

JESUS ASKS HIM AGAIN IF HE CAN SEE BETTER!

PRAISE GOD I SEE EVERY MAN NOW VERY CLEARLY!

FOR SOME REASON JESUS DOES NOT WANT THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN TO KNOW OF HIS CURES

NEITHER GO INTO THE TOWN NOR TELL TO ANY IN THE TOWN!

YOU HAVE BROUGHT JOY TO ANOTHER YOUNG MAN!

PETER'S GREAT CONFESSION

JESUS AND HIS DISCIPLES GO TO THE COAST OF CAESAREA PHILIPPI

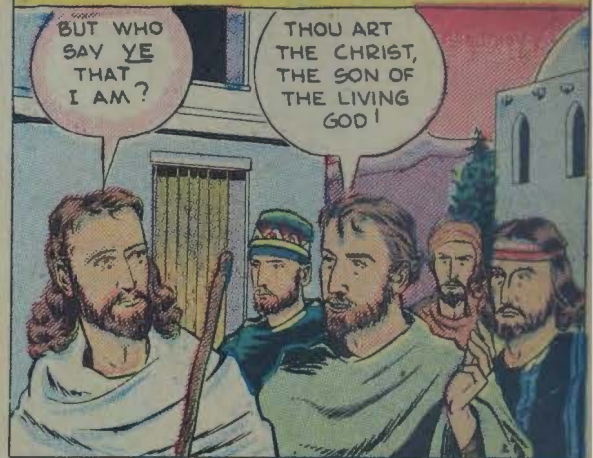


WHO DO MEN SAY THAT I AM?

SOME SAY YOU ARE JOHN THE BAPTIST!

SOME SAY YOU ARE ELIJAH, OTHERS SAY JEREMIAH OR ONE OF THE PROPHETS!

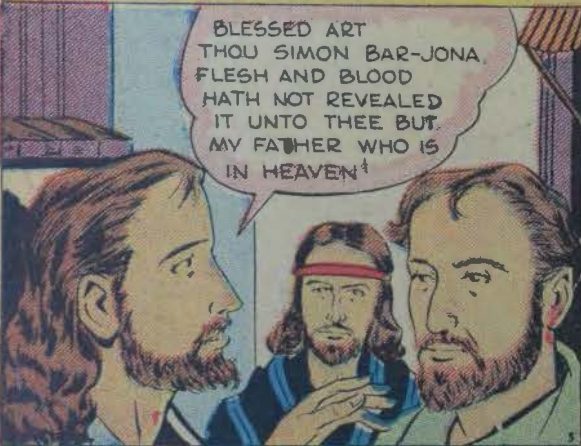
JESUS LEARNS HOW HIS DISCIPLES FEEL TOWARDS HIM, AS PETER CONFESSES THAT HE REGARDS HIM AS THE MESSIAH.



BUT WHO SAY YE THAT I AM?

THOU ART THE CHRIST, THE SON OF THE LIVING GOD!

PETER'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF JESUS AS THE CHRIST, BRINGS A MOST IMPORTANT STATEMENT FROM JESUS.



BLESSED ART THOU SIMON BAR-JONA. FLESH AND BLOOD HATH NOT REVEALED IT UNTO THEE BUT MY FATHER WHO IS IN HEAVEN!

JESUS INDICATES THAT THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS BUILT UPON THE ROCK OF "FAITH IN HIM"

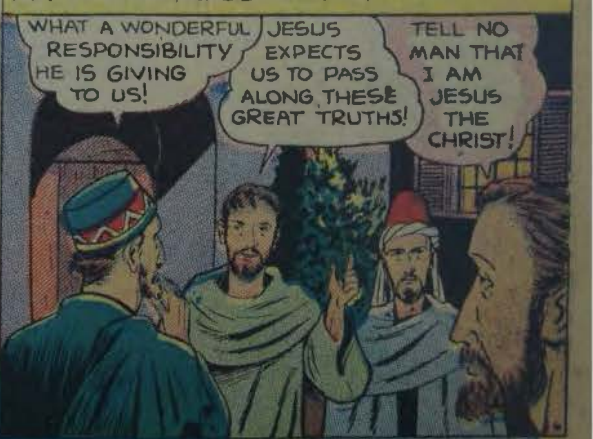


... THOU ART PETER AND UPON THIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH - AND THE GATES OF HELL SHAL NOT PREVAIL AGAINST IT!



I WILL GIVE UNTO THEE THE KEYS OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN AND WHATSOEVER THOU SHALT BIND ON EARTH SHALL BE BOUND IN HEAVEN AND WHATSOEVER THOU SHALT LOOSE ON EARTH SHALL BE LOOSED IN HEAVEN!

ALTHOUGH JESUS HAD REVEALED TO THE SAMARITAN WOMAN THAT HE WAS THE MESSIAH, HE NOW FEELS THAT OTHERS ARE NOT YET PREPARED TO KNOW THIS.



WHAT A WONDERFUL RESPONSIBILITY HE IS GIVING TO US!

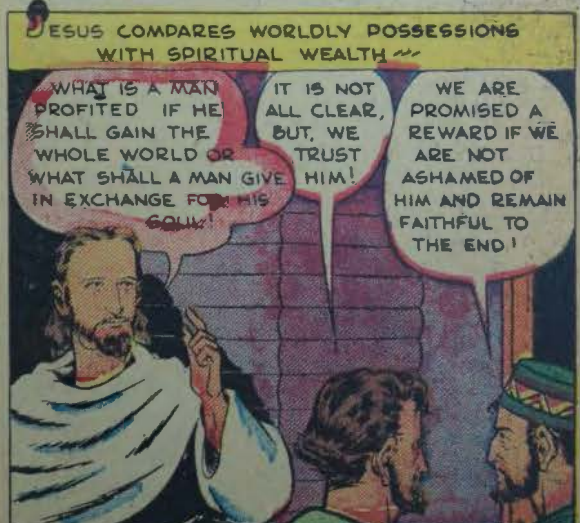
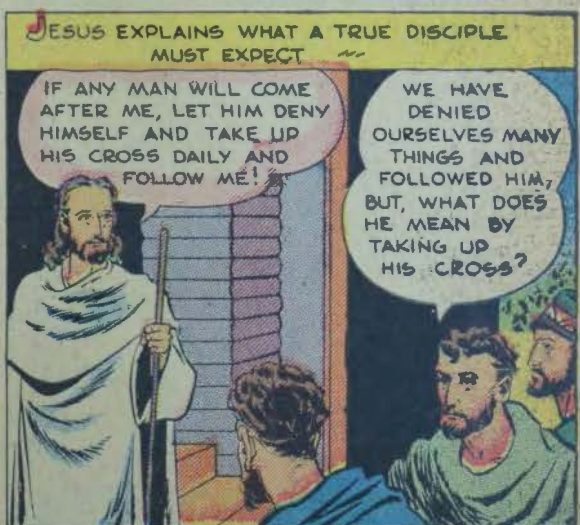
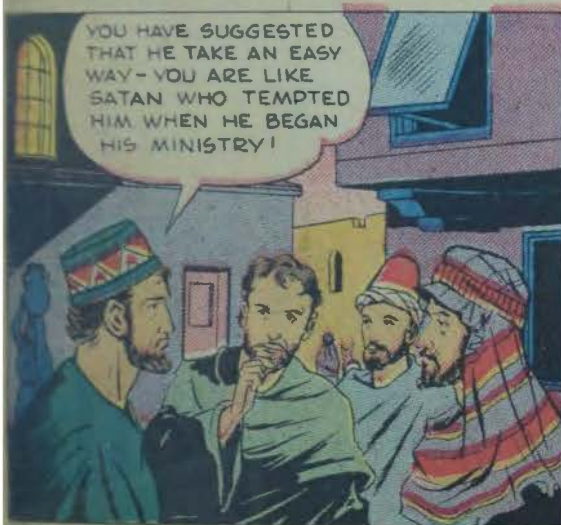
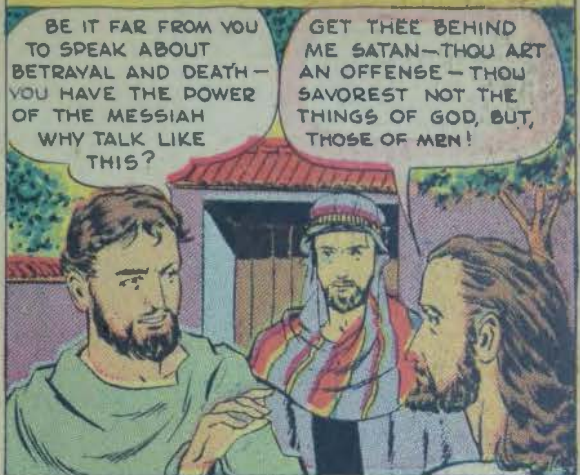
JESUS EXPECTS US TO PASS ALONG THESE GREAT TRUTHS!

TELL NO MAN THAT I AM JESUS THE CHRIST!

JESUS DISCLOSES TO HIS DISCIPLES HIS FORTHCOMING DEATH AND RESURRECTION



PETER TAKES JESUS ASIDE TO REBUKE HIM



THE TRANSFIGURATION

JESUS GOES UP THE MOUNTAIN SIDE TO PRAY. PETER, JAMES AND JOHN ACCOMPANY HIM.



JESUS WANTS TO GET AWAY FROM THE CROWDS AGAIN!

WE ARE THE THREE LUCKY ONES TO BE SELECTED!



SOMETHING IS WORRYING OUR MASTER!

LOOK! JESUS' FACE IS TRANSFIGURED! HIS FACE SHINES LIKE THE SUN - EVEN HIS CLOTHING IS RADIANTLY WHITE!

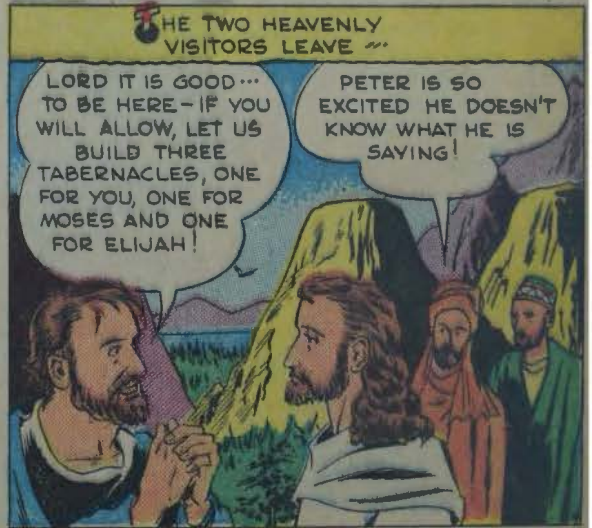
HE ALWAYS PRAYS WHEN HE HAS PROBLEMS!

MOSES AND ELIJAH APPEAR AND TALK TO JESUS



ARE THESE TWO PEOPLE MOSES AND ELIJAH COME TO EARTH AGAIN?

WONDER IF THEY ARE TALKING OF JESUS' FORTHCOMING PERSECUTION THAT HE MENTIONED!



THE TWO HEAVENLY VISITORS LEAVE

LORD IT IS GOOD... TO BE HERE - IF YOU WILL ALLOW, LET US BUILD THREE TABERNACLES, ONE FOR YOU, ONE FOR MOSES AND ONE FOR ELIJAH!

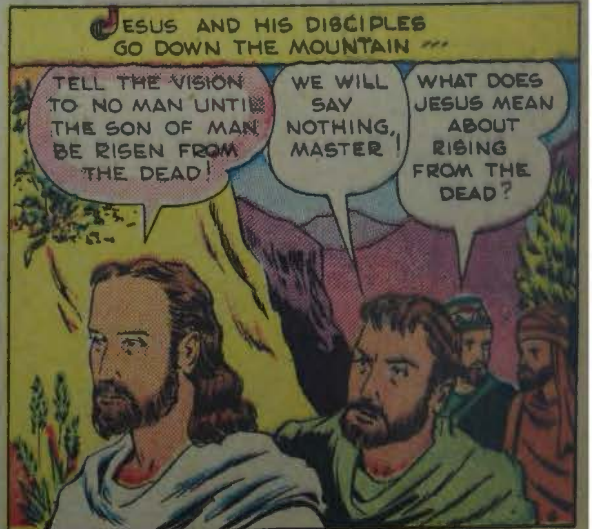
PETER IS SO EXCITED HE DOESN'T KNOW WHAT HE IS SAYING!

A VOICE FROM HEAVEN TERRIFIES THE DISCIPLES



THIS IS MY BELOVED SON IN WHOM I AM WELL PLEASED - HEAR YE HIM

ARISE AND BE NOT AFRAID!



JESUS AND HIS DISCIPLES GO DOWN THE MOUNTAIN

TELL THE VISION TO NO MAN UNTIL THE SON OF MAN BE RISEN FROM THE DEAD!

WE WILL SAY NOTHING, MASTER!

WHAT DOES JESUS MEAN ABOUT RISING FROM THE DEAD?

A FATHER BRINGS HIS SON TO BE HEALED

AS THEY DESCEND FROM THE MOUNTAIN THEY FIND THE REST OF THE DISCIPLES AND A CROWD WAITED EXPECTANTLY



HOW LONG AGO IS IT SINCE THIS CAME UNTO HIM?

SINCE A CHILD HE HAS BEEN POSSESSED WITH A DEMON THAT MAKES HIM DUMB, FOAM AT THE MOUTH, GNASH HIS TEETH AND THROWS HIM INTO THE FIRE AND WATER!



IF YOU CAN DO ANYTHING, HAVE COMPASSION ON US!

IF THOU CANST BELIEVE, ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE!

THE BOY IS DEAD!



JESUS CURES THE BOY

LORD, I BELIEVE, HELP THOU MY UNBELIEF!

THOU DUMB AND DEAF SPIRIT I CHARGE THEE TO COME OUT OF HIM AND ENTER NO MORE INTO HIM!



I KNEW JESUS COULD CURE YOU. IF HIS DISCIPLES COULD NOT!

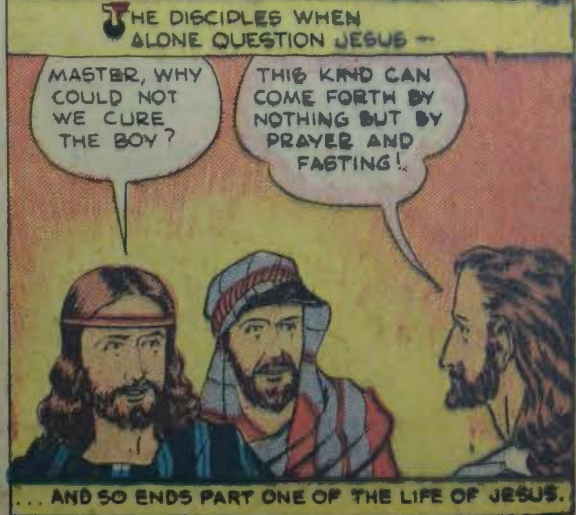
OH, FATHER, I FEEL SO WONDERFUL I KNOW I'M CURED!



THE DISCIPLES WHEN ALONE QUESTION JESUS

MASTER, WHY COULD NOT WE CURE THE BOY?

THIS KIND CAN COME FORTH BY NOTHING BUT BY PRAYER AND FASTING!



... AND SO ENDS PART ONE OF THE LIFE OF JESUS.

PALESTINE IN THE TIME OF CHRIST

LOCATIONS where principal
Events occurred in Part I

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PART ONE of this Story of Jesus covered His birth in Bethlehem, His childhood in Nazareth, (another typical Jewish village in Palestine), and the first two years of His ministry, after He was baptized by John, in the River Jordan. A continuation of these New Testament stories will tell about Peter and Paul and the formation of the Early Church.

Two thousand years ago, when Jesus lived and died, Palestine and most of the Jewish nation, as well as the other lands bordering on the Mediterranean, were part of the Roman Empire, and the provinces of Palestine were ruled by Roman Governors who were all-powerful, and whose first allegiance was to the Emperor of Rome, who appointed them.

But, while Rome controlled all of the then known civilized world, politically and militarily, it was Greek culture and the Greek language which prevailed among the learned men, who wrote at that time. This picture story of the Life of Christ is based on the accounts thus written, by Matthew, Mark, Luke and John in the first four Gospels.

These are part of the collection of twenty-seven books which have come to comprise the New Testament. Each of these four inspired authors firmly maintained his own interpretation of the story and message of Jesus, but of all four of the Gospels, that of Luke is considered by far the most interesting. Because of his lovable character and his deep interest in men and women, his telling of the outstanding parables of the Prodigal Son and the Good Samaritan, and his simple yet magnificent portrayal of the last days of Jesus, are considered among the most moving and dramatic of all narrative literature.

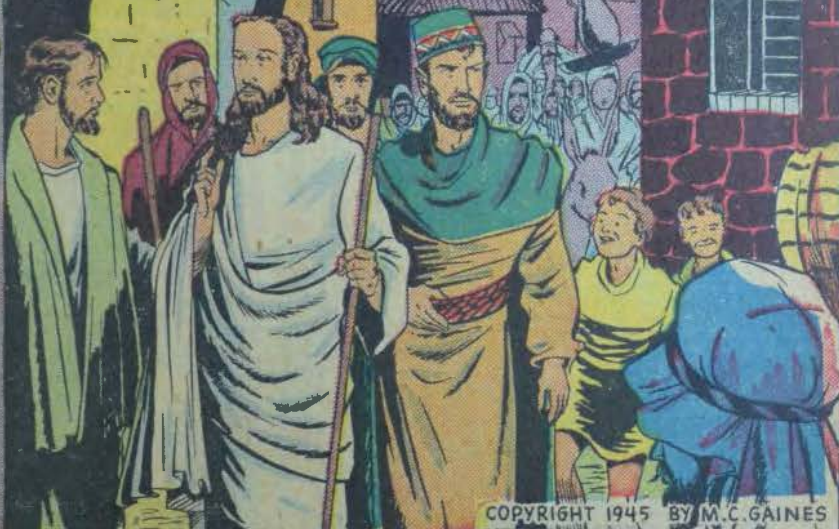
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JESUS' DISCIPLES APPROACHING CAPERNAUM ARGUE AMONG THEMSELVES //



THE DISCIPLES TAKE THE QUESTION TO JESUS //



Matthew 18:1-3, Mark 9:33-36, Luke 9:46-48

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JESUS' TRIBUTE TO CHILDREN—HE EXPLAINS FORGIVENESS

JESUS WANTS TO BE SURE HIS DISCIPLES UNDERSTAND

BUT, MASTER, HOW CAN WE MEN BECOME LITTLE CHILDREN AGAIN?

WHOSOEVER SHALL HUMBLE HIMSELF AS THIS LITTLE CHILD, THE SAME IS GREATEST IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN—

WHOSOEVER RECEIVETH ONE SUCH LITTLE CHILD IN MY NAME, RECEIVETH ME!

JESUS WARNS THOSE WHO WOULD DISCOURAGE CHILDRENS' FAITH IN HIM

WHY BOTHER WITH CHILDREN?

WHOSOEVER SHALL OFFEND ONE OF THESE LITTLE ONES WHO BELIEVE IN ME, IT WOULD BE BETTER THAT A MILLSTONE BE HANGED AROUND HIS NECK AND HE BE DROWNED IN THE DEPTHS OF THE SEA!

THE DISCIPLES DISCUSS AMONG THEMSELVES, THE QUESTION OF FORGIVING OTHERS

THAT MAN HAS WRONGED ME! I NEVER CAN FORGIVE HIM!

THAT'S NOT WHAT JESUS WOULD DO, HE'D FORGIVE AT LEAST SEVEN TIMES!

PETER, LET'S ASK JESUS!

JESUS EXPLAINS THE SPIRIT OF FORGIVENESS

MASTER, HOW MANY TIMES, IF A MAN FEELS SORRY, SHALL A PERSON FORGIVE HIM—SEVEN TIMES?

I SAY NOT UNTO THEE SEVEN TIMES BUT UNTIL SEVENTY TIMES SEVEN!

MY, THAT'S NEARLY FIVE HUNDRED TIMES!

JESUS IN A PARABLE EXPLAINS HOW AN EXAMPLE OF GREAT HUMAN FORGIVENESS OUGHT TO INSPIRE LESSER FORGIVENESS

THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS LIKENED ---

A CERTAIN KING WOULD TAKE ACCOUNT OF HIS SERVANTS

HE OWES YOU TEN THOUSAND TALENTS AND HE SAYS HE CAN'T PAY!

THEN SELL HIM, HIS WIFE, CHILDREN, AND ALL THAT HE HAS, TO PAY THIS DEBT!

HAVE PATIENCE WITH ME AND I WILL PAY YOU ALL!

THE KING, FEELING VERY SORRY, FORGAVE THE SERVANT HIS LARGE DEBT—THE SERVANT MEETS ONE WHO OWES HIM

YOU OWE ME A HUNDRED PENCE—PAY ME OR I'LL THROW YOU INTO PRISON!

JESUS' BROTHERS URGE HIM TO DECLARE HIS MESSIAHSHIP AT JERUSALEM

THE UNWORTHY SERVANT DID THROW HIS DEBTOR INTO PRISON-THE KING HEARS OF IT AND ORDERS THE SERVANT BROUGHT BEFORE HIM

OH, YOU WICKED SERVANT, I FORGAVE YOU ALL YOUR BIG DEBT TO ME-SHOULD YOU NOT HAVE FELT GRATEFUL, AND HAVE COMPASSION ON YOUR FELLOW SERVANT? AWAY, YOU GO TO THE TORMENTOR UNTIL YOU PAY ME ALL!



WE UNDERSTAND-IF GOD THE RULER OF THE WORLD FORGIVES US OUR GREAT SINS WE SHOULD FORGIVE OTHERS WHO SIN AGAINST US!



IT IS TIME FOR ANOTHER PASSOVER FEAST IN JERUSALEM. JESUS' FOUR DOUBTING BROTHERS URGE HIM TO GO THERE.

IF YOU WANT TO REACH CROWDS OF PEOPLE GO TO THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES!

YES, THERE'S THE PLACE TO SHOW YOURSELF WITH YOUR MIRACLES!

GO YE UP UNTO THE FEAST. I GO NOT UP-MY TIME IS NOT COME!

ARE YOU AFRAID OF BEING ARRESTED?



HOWEVER, LATER, JESUS DOES GO TO JERUSALEM SECRETLY-MANY THERE, ARE INQUIRING ABOUT HIM

WHERE IS JESUS? WHY IS HE NOT HERE?

HE IS A GOOD MAN!

NO, HE IS DECEIVING THE PEOPLE!



JESUS SUDDENLY APPEARS IN THE MIDST OF THE FEAST AND PREACHES IN THE TEMPLE

IS THIS NOT HE WHOM THE RULERS SEEK TO KILL?

I WONDER IF THEY NOW THINK HE IS THE VERY MESSIAH!

IF ANYONE WILL DO GOD'S WILL HE WILL KNOW OF MY DOCTRINE WHETHER IT BE OF GOD OR WHETHER I SPEAK OF MYSELF.



THE RULERS SENT OFFICERS TO ARREST JESUS- THEY RETURNED WITHOUT HIM

WHY HAVE YOU NOT BROUGHT JESUS!

NO MAN EVER SPOKE LIKE HIM!

HE HAS DECEIVED HIM TOO! WHAT DO YOU THINK, NICODEMUS?



OUR LAW DOES NOT JUDGE A MAN BEFORE HE IS HEARD!

JESUS AND THE WOMAN WHO SINNED—FORTELLS OF HIS CRUCIFIXION

EARLY IN THE TEMPLE, ONE MORNING, CERTAIN SCRIBES AND PHARISEES BRING A WOMAN TO JESUS

MASTER, THIS WOMAN HAS SINNED!

MOSES, IN HIS LAW, SAYS SHE SHOULD BE STONED—WHAT DO YOU SAY?

THEY ARE TRYING TO TRICK JESUS INTO SAYING SOMETHING TO ACCUSE HIM!

HE THAT IS WITHOUT SIN AMONG YOU LET HIM FIRST CAST A STONE AT HER!

THE WOMAN'S ACCUSERS WITH GUILTY CONSCIENCES 'BLINK AWAY—

WOMAN WHERE ARE THOSE THINE ACCUSERS? HATH NO MAN CONDEMNED THEE? NEITHER DO I, —GO, AND SIN NO MORE.

JESUS TEACHES IN THE TREASURY OF THE TEMPLE

I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD — HE THAT FOLLOWETH ME SHALL NOT WALK IN DARKNESS, BUT, HAVE THE LIGHT OF LIFE!

YOU BEAR WITNESS OF YOURSELF — HOW DO YOU EXPECT US TO BELIEVE YOU?

IT IS WRITTEN IN THE LAW, THAT THE TESTIMONY OF TWO MEN IS TRUE — I BEAR WITNESS OF MYSELF AND THE FATHER WHO SENT ME, BEARETH WITNESS!

WHERE IS YOUR FATHER?

YE NEITHER KNOW ME NOR MY FATHER — IF YE HAD KNOWN ME, YE WOULD HAVE KNOWN MY FATHER ALSO — I GO MY WAY — WHITHER I GO YE CANNOT COME!

WILL HE KILL HIMSELF?

THIS IS STRANGE TALK I CAN'T UNDERSTAND!

JESUS SPEAKS OF HIS COMING CRUCIFIXION, BUT, HE IS NOT UNDERSTOOD THEN

WHEN YE HAVE LIFTED UP THE SON OF MAN, THEN SHALL YE KNOW THAT I AM HE, EVEN THE SAME THAT I SAID FROM THE BEGINNING!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE MEANS BY BEING LIFTED UP!

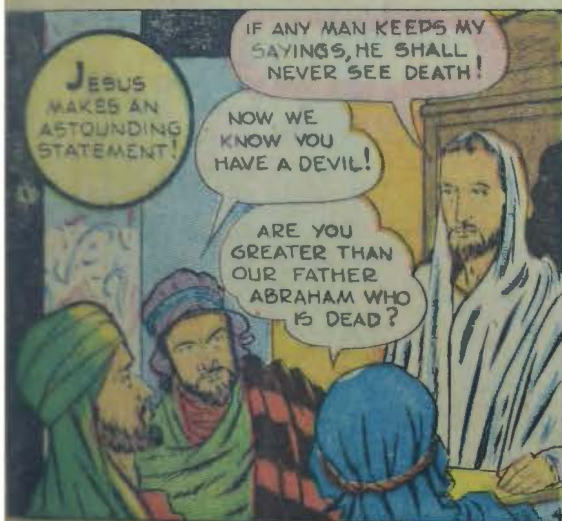
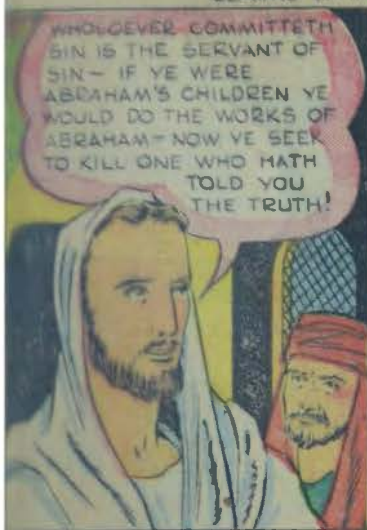
HE SPEAKS WITH SINCERITY — I BELIEVE IN HIM!

JESUS TELLS HOW TO BECOME A DISCIPLE AND THE REWARDS

IF YE CONTINUE IN MY WORD, THEN ARE YE MY DISCIPLES — YE SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH AND THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE!

WE ARE DESCENDANTS OF ABRAHAM AND WERE NEVER IN BONDAGE TO ANYONE!

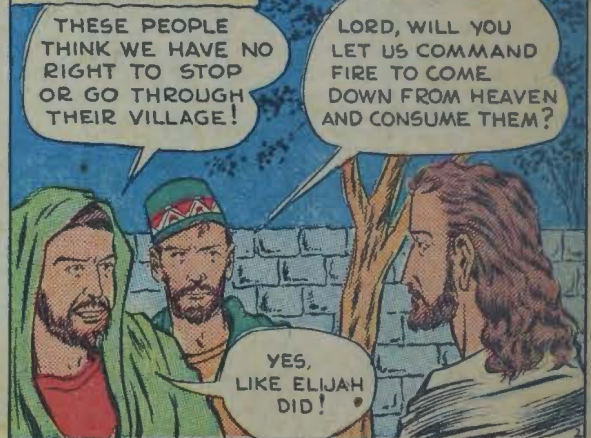
CLAIMS LIVING BEFORE ABRAHAM—HIS LIFE IS THREATENED



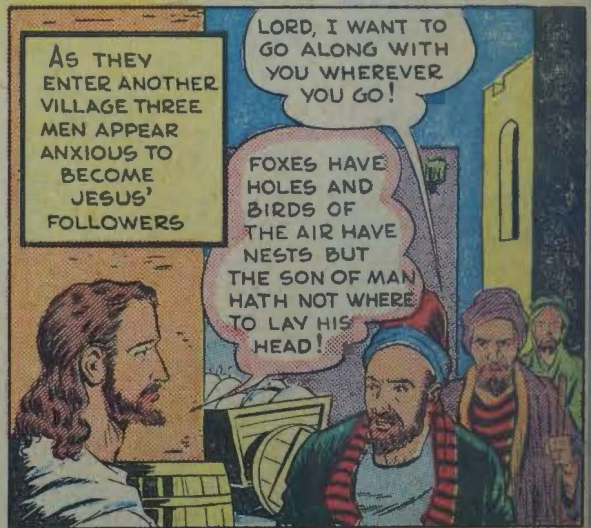
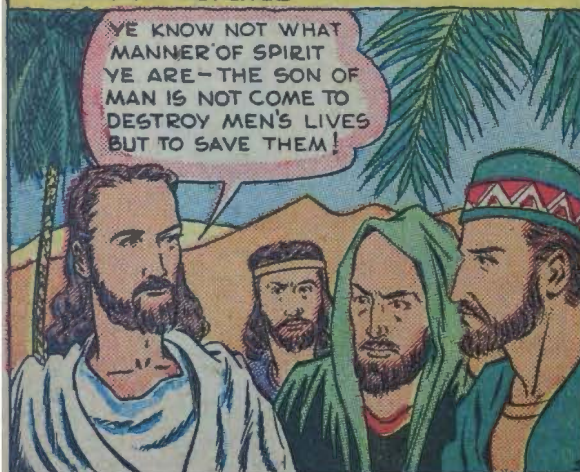
JESUS, ON HIS WAY TO JERUSALEM, GOES INTO PEREA, A PART OF PALESTINE WHICH HE HAD NOT PREVIOUSLY VISITED



BUT THE VILLAGERS WERE NOT FRIENDLY WHEN THEY LEARNED THAT THE TRAVELERS WERE TO PASS THROUGH ON THEIR WAY TO JERUSALEM



JESUS REBUKES JAMES AND JOHN FOR DESIRING REVENGE



JESUS SUGGESTS THAT THE OTHER MAN COME ALONG.



THE THIRD MAN'S INTEREST COOLS WHEN HE LEARNS OF THE SACRIFICE NECESSARY TO FOLLOW JESUS



A BLIND BEGGAR IS CURED-ANGRY PHARISEES QUESTION THE MAN

JESUS' DISCIPLES IN JERUSALEM QUESTION HIM ABOUT A BLIND BEGGAR



JESUS MAKES CLAY AND PLACES IT ON THE MAN'S EYES

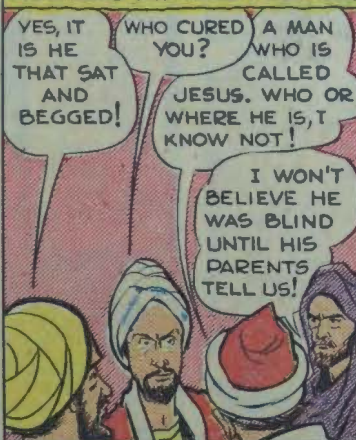
GO WASH IN THE POOL OF SILOAM!



WHEN THE MAN WASHES, AS DIRECTED, HIS SIGHT IS RESTORED



CROWDS GATHER TO DISCUSS HIS CURE -- SOME OF THE PHARISEES TRY TO CONFUSE HIM



THE PHARISEES QUESTION THE MAN'S PARENTS WHO ARE AFRAID THAT CREDITING THE CURE TO JESUS, WILL PUT THEM OUT OF THE SYNAGOGUE.



SO THE ANGRY PHARISEES QUESTION THE MAN AGAIN AND SAY JESUS IS A SINNER BECAUSE HE CURED ON THE SABBATH



THE SEVENTY ARE SENT FORTH—HEAVY LADEN PROMISED REST

JESUS' FOLLOWERS INCREASE—HE PLANS ANOTHER TOUR TO JERUSALEM AND APPOINTS SEVENTY TO GO IN ADVANCE TWO-BY-TWO, INTO THIRTY-FIVE CITIES OF PALESTINE.

I SEND YOU FORTH AS LAMBS AMONG WOLVES --- INTO WHATSOEVER CITY YE ENTER... HEAL THE SICK... AND SAY UNTO THEM "THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS COME NIGH UNTO YOU!"

WE ARE TO TELL OTHERS ABOUT JESUS!

YES, SOME WILL ACCEPT US, OTHERS WILL NOT—WITH THESE WE ARE TO WASTE NO TIME!



THE SEVENTY, AS THEY LEAVE, DISCUSS AMONG THEMSELVES, THEIR INSTRUCTIONS.

WE ARE TO SEEK OUT FAMILIES WHERE THE PEOPLE WANT TO HEAR US THEY'LL HOUSE AND FEED US

JESUS SAID WE ARE HIS MESSENGERS. THOSE WHO RECEIVE US ARE RECEIVING HIM AS WELL AS GOD WHO SENT HIM

HOPE WE GET A BETTER RECEPTION THAN JESUS GOT AT CHORAZIN AND BETHSAIDA!

AFTER ALL JESUS DID THERE, HE SHOULD HAVE HAD MANY BELIEVERS!



LATER THE SEVENTY RETURN WITH GLOWING REPORTS.

LORD, EVEN THE PEOPLE POSSESSED WITH DEMONS WERE CURED AS WE SPOKE!

REJOICE NOT THAT THE SPIRITS ARE SUBJECT UNTO YOU BUT RATHER REJOICE BECAUSE YOUR NAMES ARE WRITTEN IN HEAVEN!

SOME OF THOSE WISE PHARISEES THINK THEY ARE THE ONLY ONES WHOSE NAMES ARE IN HEAVEN!



JESUS, AS WAS HIS PRACTICE, PRAYS, THANKING GOD FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE SEVENTY

I THANK THEE O FATHER... THAT THOU HAST HID THESE THINGS FROM THE WISE AND PRUDENT AND HAST REVEALED THEM UNTO BABES!

YES WE ARE LIKE BABES LEARNING HOW TO LIVE A NEW SPIRITUAL LIFE



JESUS SPEAKS MORE INTIMATELY AS HE MEETS WITH HIS TWELVE DISCIPLES.

BLESSED ARE THE EYES WHICH SEE THE THINGS THAT YE SEE—MANY PEOPLE AND KINGS HAVE DESIRED THOSE THINGS WHICH YE SEE... AND TO HEAR THE THINGS YE HEAR!

YES, LORD, WE SHOULD FEEL FORTUNATE!

MASTER, YOU ARE OPENING OUR EYES AND EARS TO UNDERSTANDING!



JESUS INVITES ALL WHO ARE IN TROUBLE TO TRUST IN HIM.

COME UNTO ME ALL YE THAT LABOR AND ARE HEAVY LADEN AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST—TAKE MY YOKE UPON YOU AND LEARN OF ME... AND YE SHALL FIND REST UNTO YOUR SOULS!

NO MAN EVER SPOKE LIKE THAT!



A LAWYER ASKS ABOUT ETERNAL LIFE—THE GOOD SAMARITAN

A LAWYER ASKS JESUS HOW TO OBTAIN ETERNAL LIFE. HE IS TOLD TO LOVE HIS GOD AND HIS NEIGHBOR...

I AGREE I SHOULD LOVE MY NEIGHBOR, BUT WHO IS MY NEIGHBOR?

A CERTAIN MAN WENT DOWN FROM JERUSALEM TO JERICHO

JESUS TELLS A PARABLE

HE FELL AMONG THIEVES WHO STRIPPED HIM OF HIS RAIMENT

QUICK - HAND OVER YOUR MONEY!

YOU COWARDS - NOT ONE OF YOU, ALONE, COULD DO THIS!

THEY WOUNDED HIM... LEAVING HIM HALF DEAD

SERVES HIM RIGHT TO PUT UP SUCH A FIGHT!

VERY LITTLE MONEY TOO, FOR US THREE!

BY CHANCE, THERE CAME DOWN A CERTAIN PRIEST WHO LOOKED ON HIM AND PASSED BY...

I'D LIKE TO HELP HIM BUT I'M LATE FOR THE SERVICES NOW!

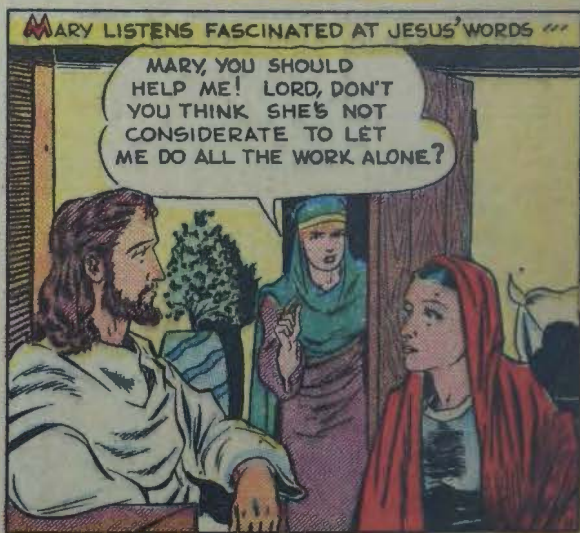
LIKewise A LEVITE CAME, AND LOOKED ON HIM, AND PASSED BY...

THIS MAN IS BADLY HURT BUT I CAN'T HELP HIM - HE NEEDS A PHYSICIAN! BESIDES, IT'S NONE OF MY BUSINESS.

BUT A SAMARITAN, WHOSE PEOPLE WERE SCORND, HAD COMPASSION... BOUND UP HIS WOUNDS AND BROUGHT HIM TO AN INN...

NOW WITH YOUR WOUNDS WASHED OUT WITH MY OIL AND WINE, WE'LL GO TO THE INN!

JESUS IS INVITED TO THE HOME OF MARTHA AND MARY



JESUS TEACHES THE LORD'S PRAYER—LIKENS GOD TO A FATHER

AS JESUS FINISHES PRAYING ONE DAY A DISCIPLE ASKS HOW TO PRAY

LORD, TEACH US TO PRAY EVEN AS JOHN THE BAPTIST ALSO TAUGHT HIS DISCIPLES!

PRAYER MUST BE IMPORTANT—YOU PRAY CONSTANTLY!



JESUS GIVES THEM A MODEL PRAYER (CALLED THE LORD'S PRAYER)

OUR FATHER WHO ART IN HEAVEN; HALLOWED BE THY NAME, THY KINGDOM COME, THY WILL BE DONE IN EARTH AS IT IS DONE IN HEAVEN—GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD AND FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTORS; AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL, FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM AND THE POWER AND THE GLORY FOREVER — AMEN



BY A QUESTION—PARABLE JESUS CONTINUES

WHICH OF YOU SHALL HAVE A FRIEND AND GO UNTO HIM AT MIDNIGHT!

IT'S LATE BUT LEND ME THREE LOAVES OF BREAD A FRIEND HAS JUST COME FROM A LONG JOURNEY!

DON'T BOTHER ME—I CAN'T GIVE YOU BREAD AT THIS TIME—IT'S TOO LATE, BESIDES MY CHILDREN ARE IN BED!



THOUGH HE WILL NOT RISE AND GIVE HIM BECAUSE HE IS HIS FRIEND, BUT BECAUSE OF HIS URGENT REQUEST, HE WILL ARISE AND GIVE HIM BREAD

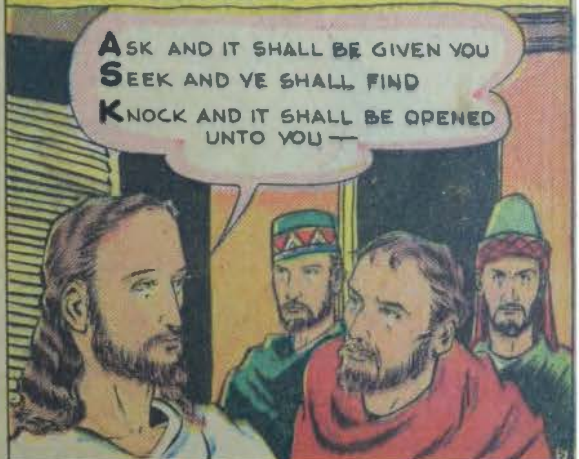
YOU CERTAINLY ARE PERSISTENT—WILL THREE LOAVES BE ENOUGH?

THANKS THEY'LL HELP ME A LOT!



JESUS GIVES THREE SUGGESTIONS FOR PRAYING

ASK AND IT SHALL BE GIVEN YOU
SEEK AND YE SHALL FIND
KNOCK AND IT SHALL BE OPENED UNTO YOU—



ANOTHER PARABLE PICTURES GOD AS A GENEROUS FATHER

FATHER, GIVE ME SOMETHING TO EAT -- SOME BREAD, FISH AND AN EGG!

SURELY, SON, YOU ARE HUNGRY AND I'D BE CRUEL TO OFFER YOU THESE STONES SHAPED LIKE BREAD, OR THIS SERPENT RESEMBLING A FISH OR THIS WHITE AND ROUND SCORPION LOOKING LIKE AN EGG!



IF YE THEN, BEING EVIL, KNOW HOW TO GIVE GOOD GIFTS UNTO YOUR CHILDREN—HOW MUCH MORE SHALL YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER GIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT TO THEM THAT ASK HIM?



JESUS REBUKES THE HYPOCRITICAL PHARISEES WHO TRY TO TRAP HIM

JESUS, MIRACLES AND SAYINGS CONTINUE TO AMAZE THE PEOPLE ~

WHY DO YOU BREAK OUR TRADITIONS AND NOT WASH BEFORE EATING?

YE PHARISEES CLEANSE THE OUTSIDE... BUT YOUR INWARD PART IS FULL OF EXTORTION AND WICKEDNESS!



JESUS KNOWING THE MOTIVES OF SOME PHARISEES, TO TRAP HIM, SPEAKS OUT.

WOE UNTO YOU PHARISEES! YE GIVE A TENTH... BUT PASS OVER JUSTICE AND THE LOVE OF GOD... YE LOVE THE CHIEF SEATS IN THE SYNAGOGUES AND SALUTATIONS IN THE MARKET PLACES... YE ARE TOMBS OVER WHICH MEN WALK!



JESUS ALSO REBUKES THE LAWYER-GUEST ~

TEACHER, THAT'S STRONG LANGUAGE IT REPROACHES US LAWYERS ALSO!

WOE UNTO YOU, LAWYERS TOO... YE LOAD MEN WITH BURDENS YET TOUCH THEM NOT WITH ONE OF YOUR FINGERS... YOUR FATHERS KILLED THE PROPHETS AND YE BUILD THEM TOMBS!



JESUS TELLS THE LAWYER THAT GOD SENT PROPHETS AND APOSTLES WHOM THE PEOPLE KILLED, AFRAID TO HEAR UNPLEASANT TRUTHS ~

WOE UNTO YOU... YE TOOK AWAY THE KEYS OF KNOWLEDGE... AND ENTER NOT IN YOURSELVES BUT HINDER THEM WHO WOULD ENTER!



"AND WHEN HE WAS COME OUT FROM THENCE, THE SCRIBES AND THE PHARISEES BEGAN TO PRESS UPON HIM VEHEMENTLY, AND TO PROVOKE HIM TO SPEAK OF MANY THINGS LAYING WAIT FOR HIM, TO CATCH SOMETHING OUT OF HIS MOUTH ~"
LUKE 11:53-54

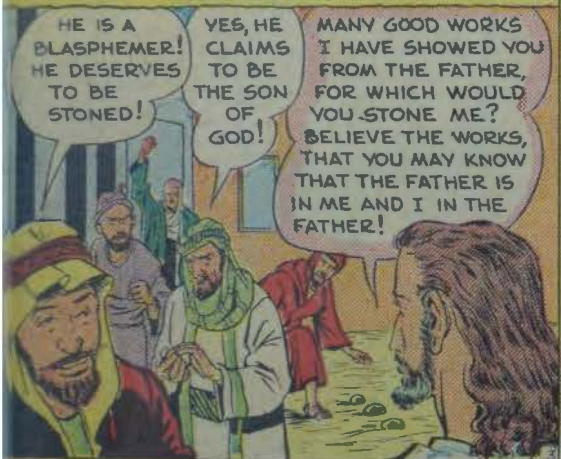


JESUS IS URGED AGAIN TO DECLARE HIMSELF AS THE MESSIAH—WELCOMED IN PEREA

IN JERUSALEM, ONE WINTER DAY, DURING THE JEWISH FEAST OF THE DEDICATION, A CROWD GATHERS ABOUT JESUS



ANGERED AT JESUS' CLAIMS, SOME ARE READY TO STONE HIM



THEY SOUGHT AGAIN TO TAKE HIM BUT HE ESCAPED OUT OF THEIR HANDS



JESUS NOW AGAIN GOES INTO PEREA, ACROSS THE RIVER JORDAN

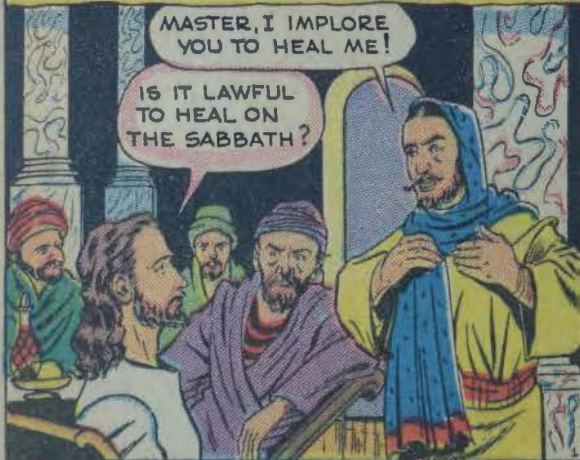


AND ACROSS THE JORDAN, JESUS ABODE AND MANY FLOCKED TO HIM



JESUS DINES WITH PHARISEES AND LAWYERS-EXPLAINS HUMILITY

JESUS, ONE SABBATH, EATS WITH PHARISEES AND LAWYERS- HE IS WATCHED SUSPICIOUSLY AS A MAN WITH DROPSY PLEADS ...



JESUS HEALS THE MAN AMIDST THE SILENT DISAPPROVAL OF ALL ...



JESUS HAD SEEN THE GUESTS. SCRAMBLE FOR THE BEST PLACES AT THE TABLE



BUT WHEN BIDDEN GO AND SIT DOWN IN THE LOWEST PLACE THAT WHEN HE THAT HATH BIDDEN SAY... FRIEND GO UP HIGHER... THEN THOU SHALT HAVE GLORY IN THE PRESENCE OF ALL!



EVERY ONE WHO EXALTETH HIMSELF SHALL BE HUMBLE BUT HE THAT HUMBLETH HIMSELF SHALL BE EXALTED!



JESUS SPEAKS TO THOSE WHO HAD INVITED HIM ...

WHEN THOU MAKEST A DINNER OR A SUPPER, CALL NOT THY FRIENDS, NOR THY BRETHREN, NEITHER THY KINSMEN, NOR THY RICH NEIGHBORS - LEST THEY ALSO BID THEE AGAIN, AND A RECOMPENSE BE MADE THEE - BUT WHEN THOU MAKEST A FEAST, CALL THE POOR, THE MAIMED, THE LAME, THE BLIND - AND THOU SHALT BE BLESSED - FOR THEY CANNOT RECOMPENSE THEE - FOR THOU SHALT BE RECOMPENSED AT THE RESURRECTION OF THE JUST!



SOME OF THE RELIGIOUS LEADERS OBJECTED TO JESUS ASSOCIATING WITH ALL CLASSES OF PEOPLE

THIS MAN RECEIVETH SINNERS AND EATETH WITH THEM!

THE LOST SHEEP

WHAT MAN OF YOU, HAVING A HUNDRED SHEEP AND LOSING ONE DOETH NOT...GO AFTER THAT... AND WHEN HE HATH FOUND IT... CALLETH TOGETHER HIS FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS SAYING, REJOICE WITH ME!

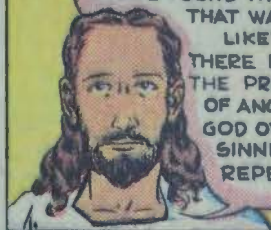


LIKEWISE THERE IS JOY IN HEAVEN OVER ONE SINNER THAT REPENTETH MORE THAN OVER NINETY AND NINE JUST PERSONS WHO NEED NO REPENTANCE!



THE LOST COIN

WHAT WOMAN HAVING TEN PIECES OF SILVER AND LOSING ONE DOETH NOT LIGHT A CANDLE, SWEEP THE HOUSE AND SEEK DILIGENTLY TILL SHE FIND IT— THEN SHE CALLS HER NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS SAYING, REJOICE WITH ME FOR I HAVE FOUND THE PIECE THAT WAS LOST— LIKEWISE THERE IS JOY IN THE PRESENCE OF ANGELS OF GOD OVER ONE SINNER THAT REPENTETH!



THE PRODIGAL SON

"A CERTAIN MAN HAD TWO SONS"

FATHER GIVE ME THE SHARE OF WHAT'S COMING TO ME— I WANT TO GET AWAY AND LIVE MY OWN LIFE!

ALL RIGHT SON, HERE'S YOUR SHARE—VERY SORRY YOU ARE LEAVING!



"THE YOUNGER SON TOOK HIS JOURNEY INTO A FAR COUNTRY AND WASTED HIS SUBSTANCE WITH RIOTOUS LIVING"

YOU'RE A GREAT SPORT!

MORE FUN, EH? THAN ON THE FARM WITH THE OLD MAN AND MY NAGGING BROTHER!

HAVE SOME MORE WINE!



"AND WHEN HE HAD SPENT ALL, THERE AROSE A MIGHTY FAMINE IN THAT LAND— AND HE BEGAN TO BE IN WANT"

ONLY JOB OPEN IS TAKING CARE OF MY PIGS!

I'VE GOT TO EAT— I'LL TAKE IT!



AND WHEN HE CAME TO HIMSELF HE SAID HOW MANY OF MY FATHER'S HIRED SERVANTS HAVE FOOD ENOUGH AND TO SPARE AND I PERISH WITH HUNGER— I WILL ARISE AND GO TO MY FATHER"

"WHEN HE WAS A GREAT WAY OFF, HIS FATHER SAW HIM AND HAD COMPASSION ON HIM AND RAN AND FELL ON HIS NECK AND KISSED HIM"

FATHER I HAVE SINNED AGAINST HEAVEN AND IN THY SIGHT AND AM NO MORE WORTHY TO BE CALLED THY SON!

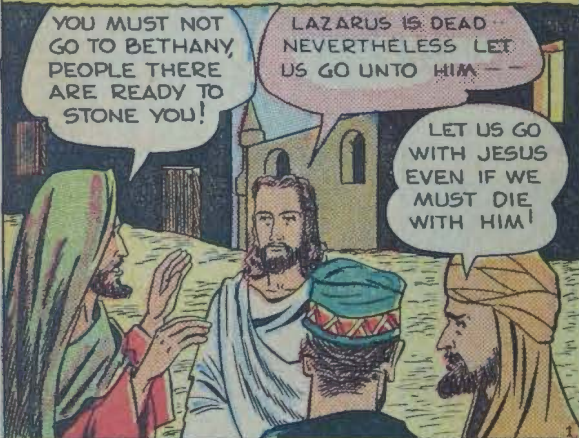
—AND BRING HITHER THE FATTED CALF AND KILL IT—, FOR THIS, MY SON, WAS DEAD AND IS ALIVE AGAIN; HE WAS LOST AND IS FOUND."

FOR THE SON OF MAN CAME TO SEEK AND TO SAVE THAT WHICH WAS LOST"

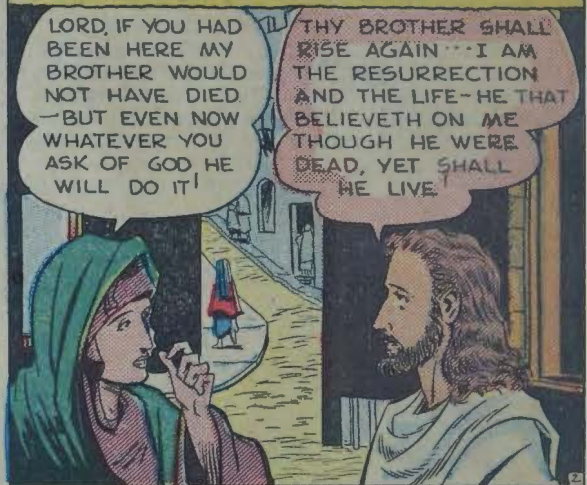


JESUS RAISES LAZARUS FROM THE DEAD

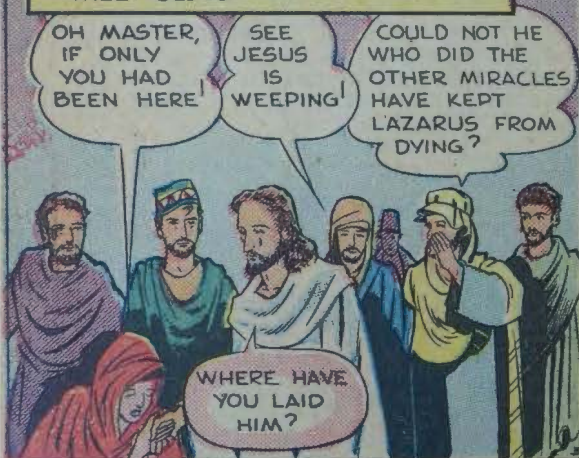
MARY AND HER SISTER MARTHA WHO LIVE AT BETHANY SEND WORD TO JESUS, IN JERUSALEM, TO COME AND CURE THEIR BROTHER LAZARUS, WHO IS SERIOUSLY SICK //



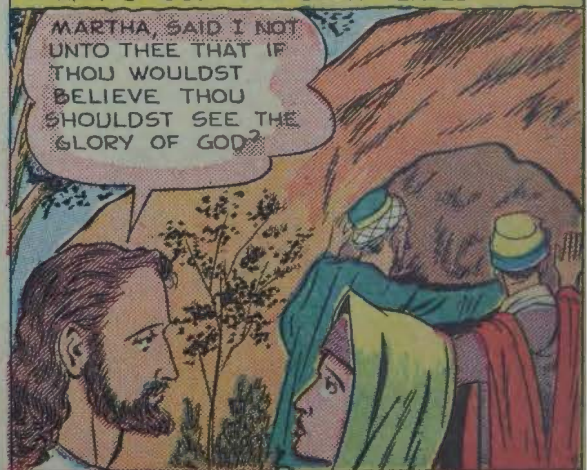
MARTHA GRIEVING FOR HER DEAD BROTHER, RUNS AHEAD.. TO GREET JESUS //



MARY TOO, COMES OUT TO MEET JESUS //



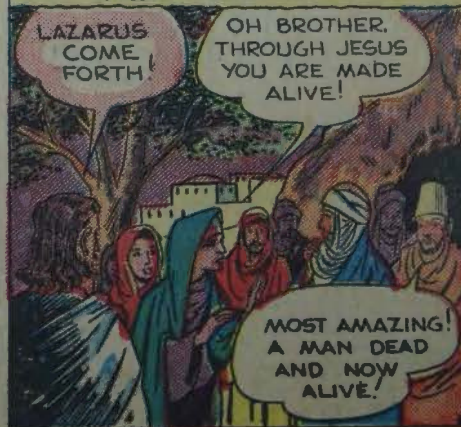
JESUS COMES TO THE TOMB WHERE LAZARUS' BODY HAS BEEN PLACED //



JESUS PRAYS BEFORE THE OPEN TOMB //



MARTHA AND MARY WITH THEIR FRIENDS LOOK ON WITH AMAZEMENT AS LAZARUS IS SEEN RISING FROM THE DEAD //



THEN MANY... WHO CAME.. AND HAD SEEN THE THINGS THAT JESUS DID BELIEVED IN HIM //

THE CURING OF THE TEN MEN WITH LEPROSY-THE PUBLICAN'S PRAYER

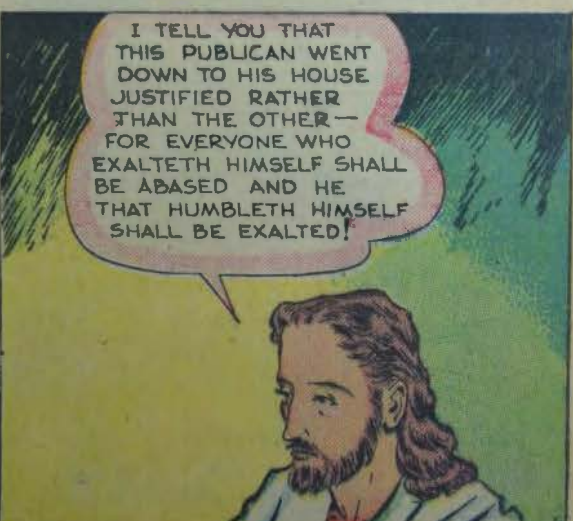
AS JESUS JOURNEYS TO JERUSALEM FOR THE LAST TIME, TEN MEN WITH LEPROSY CALL TO HIM...



AS JESUS SPEAKS THE MEN FEEL THAT THEY ARE CURED AND START TO GO TO THE PRIESTS WHO ONLY HAVE AUTHORITY TO PRONOUNCE THEM CURED...



JESUS TELLS A PARABLE REBUKING SELF-RIGHTEOUS PEOPLE WHO FEEL THEY ARE BETTER THAN OTHERS...



PARENTS BRING THEIR CHILDREN TO JESUS TO BE BLESSED-THE RICH YOUNG RULER

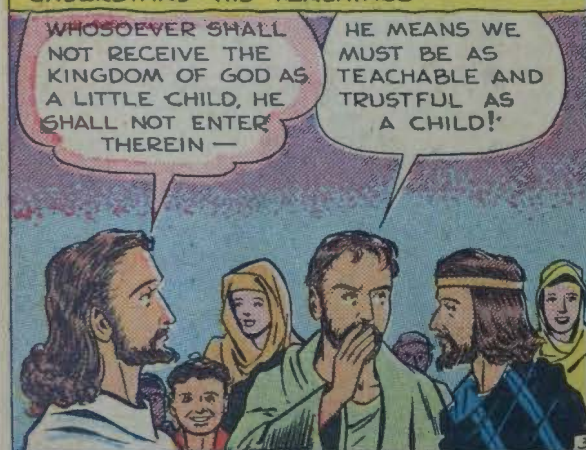
PARENTS EVERYWHERE WERE ANXIOUS TO HAVE JESUS PLACE HIS HANDS ON THEIR INFANTS' HEAD AND BLESS THEM //



BUT JESUS WAS NOT TOO BUSY! HE REBUKES THE DISCIPLES //



JESUS USES A CHILD TO EXPLAIN THE ATTITUDE OF MIND NECESSARY TO UNDERSTAND HIS TEACHINGS //



AS JESUS WALKS ON, A WEALTHY YOUNG MAN RUNS UP AND KNEELS BEFORE HIM //



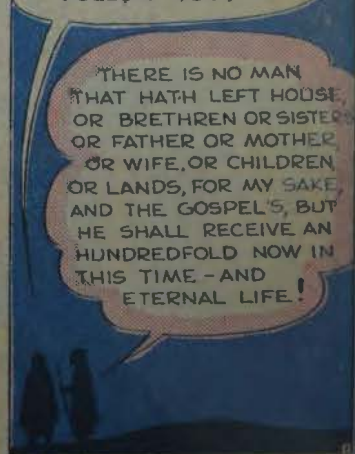
JESUS LOVED THIS YOUNG MAN AND HOPED HE MIGHT BECOME HIS FOLLOWER //



I'M SORRY! I CAN'T GIVE UP MY POSSESSIONS ON A CHANCE OF WHAT I MAY GET HEREAFTER IN HEAVEN!



I, PETER, AND THE REST OF US HAVE LEFT ALL TO FOLLOW YOU!



THE REQUEST OF JAMES' AND JOHN'S MOTHER - ZACCHEUS SEEKS TO SEE JESUS

JESUS SPEAKS AGAIN OF HIS FORTH-COMING DEATH



WHEN ALONE WITH JESUS, THE MOTHER OF JAMES AND JOHN MAKES A REQUEST



WHEN THE TEN DISCIPLES HEARD OF THIS REQUEST THEY WERE ANGRY AT JAMES AND JOHN



ZACCHEUS, A RICH BUT DESPISED TAX GATHERER, CLIMBS A TREE SO HE CAN SEE JESUS



Matthew 20:17-29, Mark 10:32-45, Luke 18:31-34, 19:1-10

MARY ANOINTS JESUS' FEET WITH COSTLY OINTMENT - CRITICISM REBUKED

IN BETHANY WHERE LAZARUS HAD BEEN RAISED, JESUS WAS GIVEN A DINNER AND MARTHA HIS SISTER SERVED



I, LAZARUS, OWE MY LIFE TO YOU!

YOU HAVE UNITED OUR FAMILY, MASTER!

MARY, THE OTHER SISTER SHOWS HER APPRECIATION BY ANOINTING JESUS' FEET WITH COSTLY OINTMENT



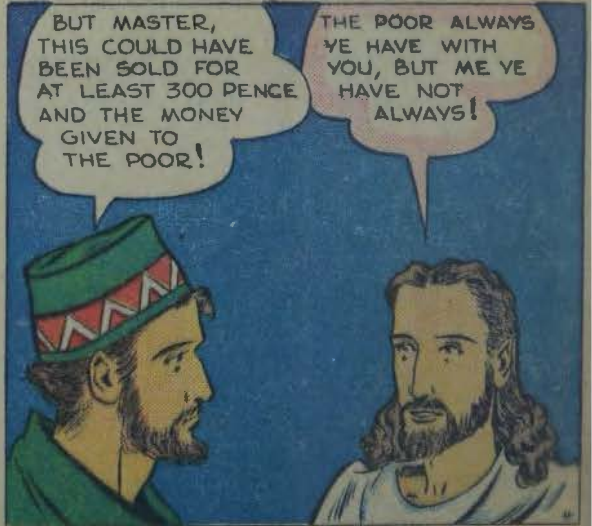
LORD, WITH WATER YOU HAVE WASHED YOUR DISCIPLES' FEET I NOW WASH YOUR FEET WITH THIS PRECIOUS OIL!

RIDICULOUS TO WASTE MONEY! I, JUDAS, COULD HAVE USED THE MONEY TO FEED THE POOR!

JESUS COMMENDS MARY

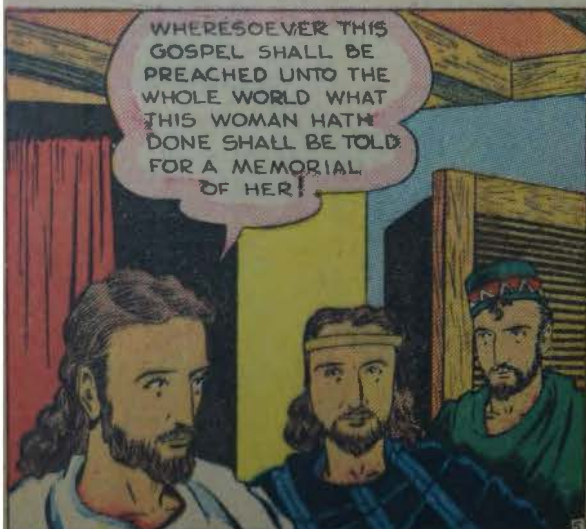


LET HER ALONE, AGAINST THE DAY OF MY BURYING HATH SHE DONE THIS!

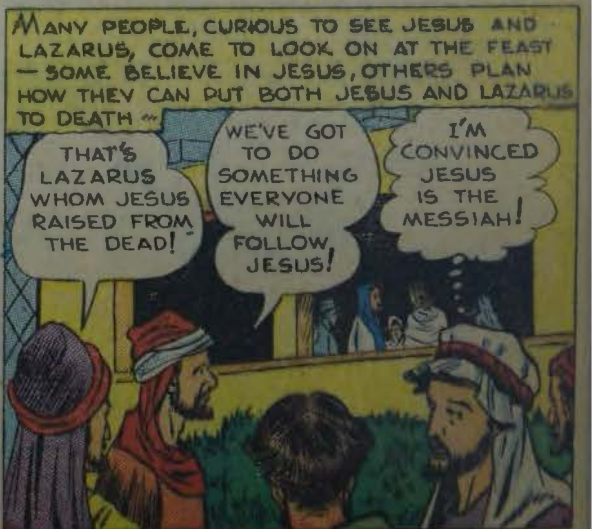


BUT MASTER, THIS COULD HAVE BEEN SOLD FOR AT LEAST 300 PENCE AND THE MONEY GIVEN TO THE POOR!

THE POOR ALWAYS YE HAVE WITH YOU, BUT ME YE HAVE NOT ALWAYS!



WHERESOEVER THIS GOSPEL SHALL BE PREACHED UNTO THE WHOLE WORLD WHAT THIS WOMAN HATH DONE SHALL BE TOLD FOR A MEMORIAL OF HER!



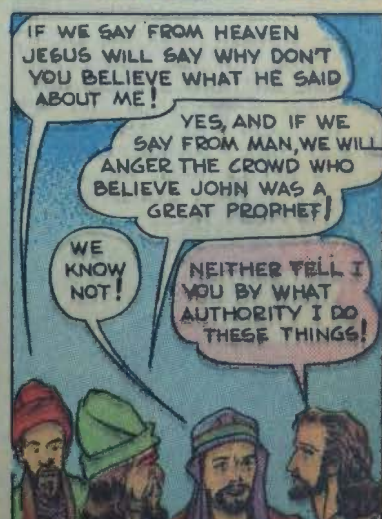
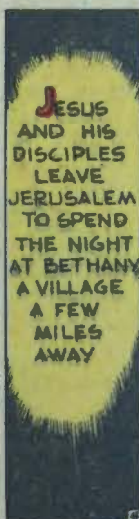
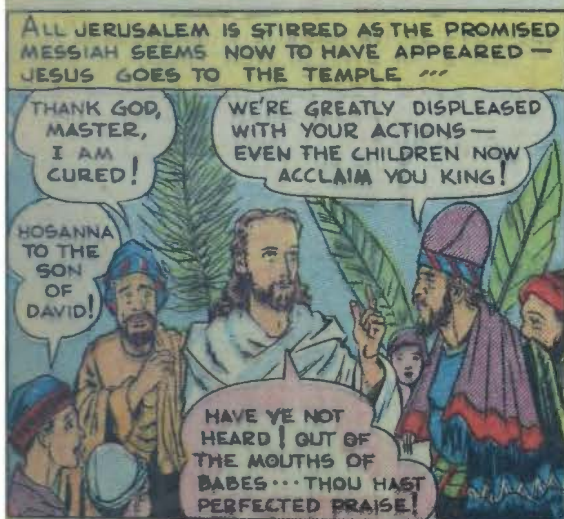
MANY PEOPLE, CURIOUS TO SEE JESUS AND LAZARUS, COME TO LOOK ON AT THE FEAST - SOME BELIEVE IN JESUS, OTHERS PLAN HOW THEY CAN PUT BOTH JESUS AND LAZARUS TO DEATH

THAT'S LAZARUS WHOM JESUS RAISED FROM THE DEAD!

WE'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING EVERYONE WILL FOLLOW JESUS!

I'M CONVINCED JESUS IS THE MESSIAH!

THE LAST WEEK OF JESUS' EARTHLY LIFE-TRIUMPHAL ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM



PARABLE OF THE VINEYARD AND THE DISHONEST TENANTS

JESUS TELLS A PARABLE INTENDED FOR THE CHIEF PRIESTS AND PHARISEES



THERE WAS A CERTAIN HOUSEHOLDER WHO PLANTED A VINEYARD!



WELL, THIS IS A GOOD JOB OF PLANTING AND BUILDING THAT HEDGE, TOWER, HOUSE AND THE VINE PRESS!

YOU OUGHT TO GET A GOOD RENT FOR IT NOW!

"AND HE LET IT OUT TO HUSBANDMEN AND WENT INTO A FAR COUNTRY"



I AM SENDING YOU THREE BACK TO MY VINEYARD TO RECEIVE FROM THE HUSBANDMEN (MY TENANTS), MY SHARE OF THE FRUIT.

"AND THE HUSBANDMEN TOOK HIS SERVANTS AND BEAT ONE, KILLED ANOTHER AND STONED ANOTHER"



THAT WILL TAKE CARE OF HIM!

THEY WON'T COME BACK!

MINE WON'T, HE'S ALL IN!

"AGAIN HE SENT OTHER SERVANTS, MORE THAN THE FIRST AND THEY DID UNTO THEM LIKEWISE—BUT LAST OF ALL HE SENT... HIS ONLY SON"



THEY WILL REVERENCE YOU, MY SON AND GIVE YOU MY SHARE OF THE FRUIT!

"THE HUSBANDMEN SCHEME AS THEY SEE THE SON APPROACH"



THERE IS THE SON AND ONLY HEIR!

LET US KILL HIM AND THE INHERITANCE WILL BE OURS!

YES, BECAUSE HIS FATHER WILL PROBABLY NOT LIVE LONG!

WHEN THE LORD THEREFORE OF THE VINEYARD COMETH, WHAT WILL HE DO UNTO THOSE HUSBANDMEN?



HE WILL DESTROY THOSE WICKED MEN!

HE'LL LET OUT HIS VINEYARD TO OTHERS WHO WILL GIVE HIM HIS JUST SHARE OF THE FRUIT!

UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPTS OF THE HERODIANS AND PHARISEES TO TRAP JESUS

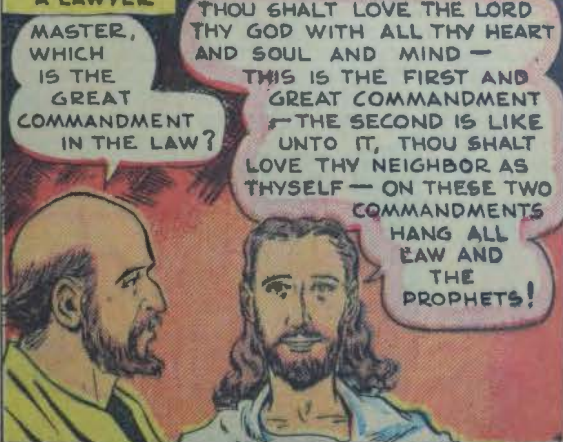
SOME PHARISEES CONSPIRED WITH THE HERODIANS, A GROUP CLOSE TO THE AUTHORITIES, TO REPORT ANY UNPATRIOTIC UTTERANCE OF JESUS, SO HE MIGHT BE ARRESTED.



NOW THE SADDUCEES, A RELIGIOUS SECT WHO DID NOT BELIEVE IN A HEREAFTER, TRY TO TRAP JESUS.



THE PHARISEES TRY AGAIN TO CONFUSE JESUS THROUGH ONE OF THEIR NUMBER, WHO IS A LAWYER.



MASTER, YOU HAVE TOLD THE TRUTH!—THERE IS ONE GOD, WHOM WE SHOULD LOVE WITH ALL OUR HEART AND OUR SOUL—BUT TO LOVE OUR NEIGHBOR AS OURSELF IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN ANY BURNT OFFERINGS OR SACRIFICES!

JESUS SEES THE EARNESTNESS OF THE MAN.

THOU ART NOT FAR FROM THE KINGDOM OF GOD!

NO MAN AFTER THIS ASKS JESUS QUESTIONS TO CATCH HIM.

JESUS SPEAKS TO THE MULTITUDE AND DISCIPLES, WARNING THEM AGAINST THE TEACHING OF THE SCRIBES AND PHARISEES.



JESUS WEEPS OVER JERUSALEM-THE WIDOW'S MITE

JESUS CONTINUES TO CONDEMN HYPOCRITES AND SINNERS AMONG THE SCRIBES AND PHARISEES

YE SHUT UP THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN... NEITHER SUFFER THEM WHO ARE ENTERING TO GO IN... YE DEVOUR WIDOWS' HOUSES AND FOR A PRETENSE MAKE LONG PRAYERS... YE GIVE A TENTH BUT OMIT THE WEIGHTIER MATTERS—JUDGMENT, MERCY AND FAITH!

JUST WHAT I THOUGHT—SOME OF THESE SO-CALLED RELIGIOUS LEADERS ARE WORSE THAN WE ARE!

JESUS IS SAD, AS HE LOOKS OUT OVER JERUSALEM AND REALIZES THAT THESE PEOPLE WHOM HE CAME TO HELP, SHOW SUCH AN EVIL SPIRIT AND DO NOT ACCEPT HIS TEACHINGS...

O JERUSALEM,

JERUSALEM, THOU THAT KILLEST THE PROPHETS, AND STONEST THEM WHICH ARE SENT UNTO THEE, HOW OFTEN WOULD I HAVE GATHERED THY CHILDREN TOGETHER EVEN AS A HEN GATHERETH HER CHICKENS UNDER HER WINGS, AND YE WOULD NOT! BEHOLD YOUR HOUSE IS LEFT UNTO YOU DESOLATE—FOR I SAY UNTO YOU, YE SHALL NOT SEE ME HENCEFORTH, TILL YE SHALL SAY BLESSED IS HE THAT COMETH IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!

JESUS WITH HIS DISCIPLES WATCH THE PEOPLE MAKE THEIR TEMPLE OFFERINGS...

I SAW THAT RICH MAN PUT IN A LARGE SUM!

I KNOW THAT POOR WIDOW THERE, SHE IS DROPPING IN TWO MITES EQUAL ONLY TO ONE FARTHING!

VERILY I SAY UNTO YOU, THAT THIS POOR WIDOW HATH CAST MORE IN THAN ALL THEY WHICH HAVE CAST INTO THE TREASURY!

—THEY DID CAST IN OF THEIR ABUNDANCE—BUT SHE CAST IN ALL THAT SHE HAD, EVEN ALL HER LIVING!

CERTAIN GREEKS WHO HAD COME UP TO JERUSALEM TO WORSHIP AT THE JEWISH FESTIVAL SPEAK TO PHILIP, JESUS DISCIPLE...

EVEN WE IN OUR COUNTRY HAVE HEARD OF JESUS!

SIR, WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE HIM!

ALL RIGHT, FOLLOW ME AND ANDREW—WE ARE GOING TO HIM NOW!

JESUS REFERS TO HIS COMING SUFFERING—A VOICE FROM HEAVEN IS HEARD...

I WISH HE WOULD PERFORM A MIRACLE!

THE HOUR IS COME WHEN THE SON OF MAN SHOULD BE GLORIFIED—NOW IS MY SOUL TROUBLED—SHALL I SAY—FATHER SAVE ME FROM THIS HOUR? BUT FOR THIS CAUSE CAME I UNTO THIS HOUR—FATHER GLORIFY THY NAME!

I HAVE GLORIFIED IT AND WILL GLORIFY IT AGAIN

LISTEN! IT THUNDERS

AN ANGEL IS SPEAKING TO HIM!

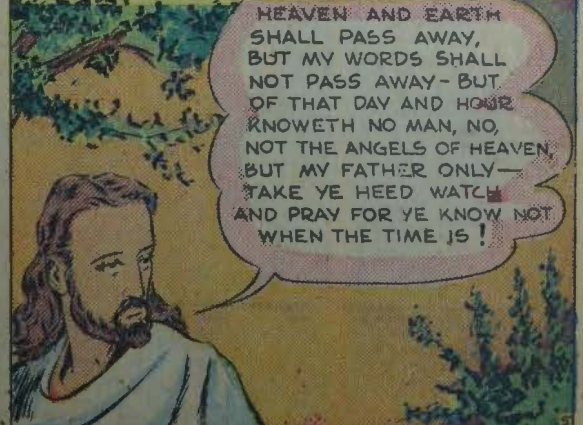
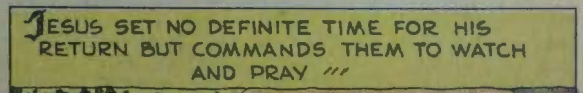
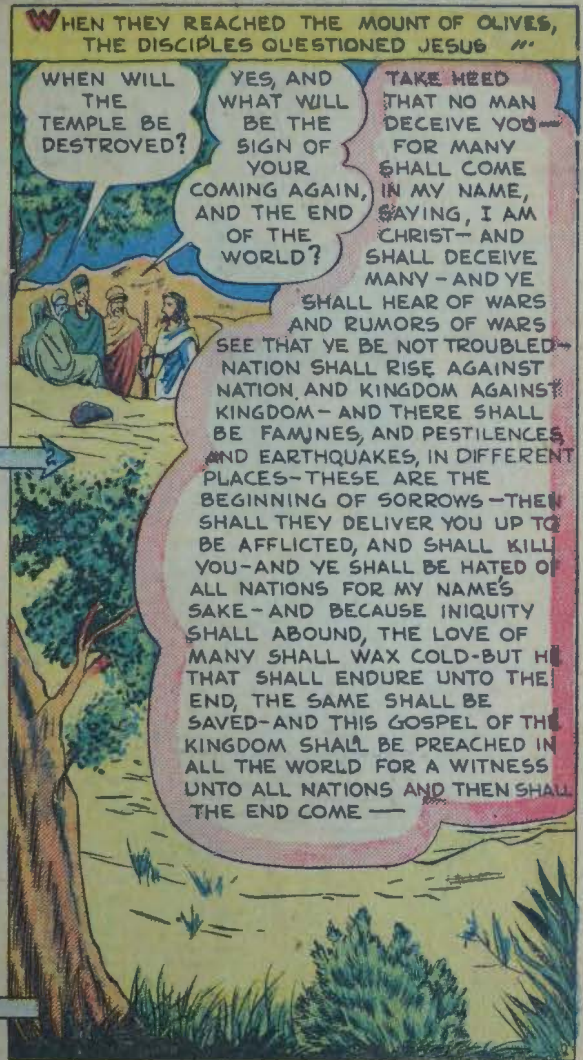
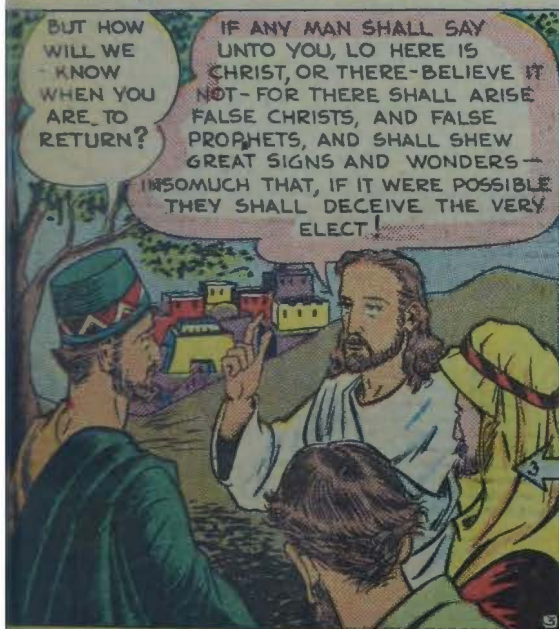
JESUS HOPES THAT THIS VOICE MAY PROVE TO THEM THAT HE IS THE MESSIAH...

THIS VOICE CAME NOT BECAUSE OF ME BUT FOR YOUR SAKES—IF I BE LIFTED UP I WILL DRAW ALL MEN UNTO ME—WALK WHILE YE HAVE LIGHT—THAT YE MAY BE CHILDREN OF LIGHT!

WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE MESSIAH WAS TO ABIDE FOREVER, WHY DOES HE SAY HE MUST DIE?

AFTER THIS JESUS DEPARTED TO BE ALONE

DESTRUCTION OF THE TEMPLE FORETOLD-SIGNS OF THE END OF THE WORLD



WATCHFULNESS AND FAITHFULNESS—THE FIVE WISE AND FIVE FOOLISH VIRGINS

JESUS, BY ILLUSTRATIONS, INDICATES HOW WATCHFULNESS AND FAITHFULNESS ARE DESIRABLE

BUT KNOW THIS, THAT IF THE GOOD MAN OF THE HOUSE HAD KNOWN WHEN THE THIEF WOULD COME, HE WOULD NOT HAVE HAD HIS HOUSE BROKEN UP!



WHO THEN IS A FAITHFUL AND WISE SERVANT... WHOM, WHEN HIS LORD COMETH, SHALL FIND HIM WATCHING----



BY A PARABLE HE EXPLAINS WATCHFULNESS //

THEN SHALL THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN BE LIKENED UNTO.....



TEN VIRGINS - FIVE OF THEM WISE AND FIVE FOOLISH WHO TOOK THEIR LAMPS AND WENT FORTH TO MEET THE BRIDEGROOM //

WE ARE VERY EARLY--

LET'S TAKE A NAP UNTIL THE BRIDEGROOM COMES!

I'M A LIGHT SLEEPER, I'LL WAKE YOU ALL!



...WHILE THE BRIDEGROOM TARRIED THEY ALL SLUMBERED AND SLEPT AND AT MIDNIGHT...

THE BRIDEGROOM IS COMING!

OH DEAR I HAVE NO OIL IN MY LAMP-GIVE ME SOME!

MINE'S EMPTY TOO! LEND ME SOME!



LISTEN, YOU GIRLS WITHOUT OIL, WE HAVE ONLY ENOUGH FOR OURSELVES, GO OUT AND BUY SOME!



AND WHILE THEY WENT TO BUY THE BRIDEGROOM CAME AND THEY, WHO WERE READY, WENT INTO THE MARRIAGE AND THE DOORS WERE SHUT //

WE ARE BACK, LET US IN!

THE DOORS ARE CLOSED--THE MASTER WILL ALLOW NO MORE TO COME IN!



WATCH, THEREFORE, FOR YE KNOW NEITHER THE DAY NOR THE HOUR WHEREIN THE SON OF MAN COMETH!



PARABLE OF THE TALENTS—JESUS SAYS HELPING OTHERS MEANS HELPING HIM

"FAITHFULNESS" IS JESUS' NEXT PARABLE

FOR IT IS LIKE

A MAN ABOUT TO TRAVEL INTO A FAR COUNTRY, CALLED HIS SERVANTS ...

WHILE I AM AWAY YOU ARE TO MAKE USE OF THESE TALENTS WHICH I HAVE GIVEN YOU—ACCORDING TO YOUR PAST FAITHFULNESS!

MY FIVE TALENTS WILL EARN OTHERS SIRE!

MY TWO WILL BE USED WISELY

NOT MUCH I CAN DO WITH ONE TALENT!

AFTER A LONG TIME, THE LORD OF THOSE SERVANTS RETURNED AND CALLED THEM FOR AN ACCOUNTING—

HERE, MASTER, ARE YOUR FIVE TALENTS AND FIVE MORE, EARNED BY GOOD TRADING!

NOW FOR A REPORT ON THE MONEY ENTRUSTED TO YOU!

I WAS SUCCESSFUL IN MY BUSINESS DEALS AND EARNED TWO ADDITIONAL TALENTS—

LORD, I WAS AFRAID I MIGHT LOSE THE ONE TALENT SO I HID IT, BUT HERE IT IS SAFE!

WELL DONE, THOU GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT; TO YOU, WHO HAVE EARNED TALENTS, I GIVE GREATER RESPONSIBILITIES—BUT TO THOU, WICKED AND SLOTHFUL SERVANT, YOU SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST LOANED MY MONEY AT INTEREST—GIVE YOUR TALENT TO HIM WHO HAS THE TEN TALENTS!

FOR UNTO EVERY ONE THAT HATH, SHALL BE GIVEN, AND HE SHALL HAVE ABUNDANCE—BUT FROM HIM THAT HATH NOT, SHALL BE TAKEN AWAY EVEN THAT WHICH HE HATH //

WHEN THE SON OF MAN COMETH IN HIS GLORY—BEFORE HIM SHALL BE GATHERED ALL THE NATIONS, AND HE SHALL SEPARATE THEM AS THE SHEPHERD SEPARATES.. THE SHEEP ON HIS RIGHT HAND, AND THE GOATS ON THE LEFT—

COME, YE BLESSED OF MY FATHER, INHERIT THE KINGDOM PREPARED FOR YOU... I WAS HUNGRY AND YE GAVE ME TO EAT, THIRSTY AND YE GAVE ME TO DRINK, NAKED AND YE CLOTHED ME, SICK AND IN PRISON AND YE CAME UNTO ME!

LORD WHEN DID WE SEE YOU AND DO THESE THINGS?

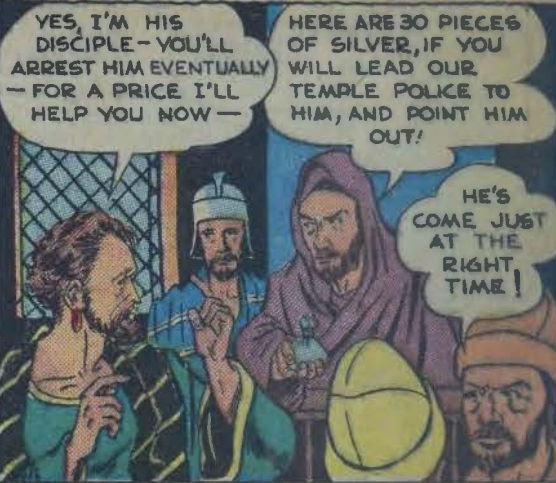
INASMUCH AS YE DID IT UNTO ONE OF THESE, MY BRETHREN EVEN THE LEAST, YE DID IT UNTO ME!

JUDAS AGREES TO BETRAY JESUS

ON TUESDAY, DURING JESUS' LAST WEEK, THE RELIGIOUS LEADERS, MEETING IN THE PALACE OF THE HIGH PRIEST, CAIAPHAS, CONSULTED HOW THEY MIGHT ARREST JESUS AND PUT HIM TO DEATH



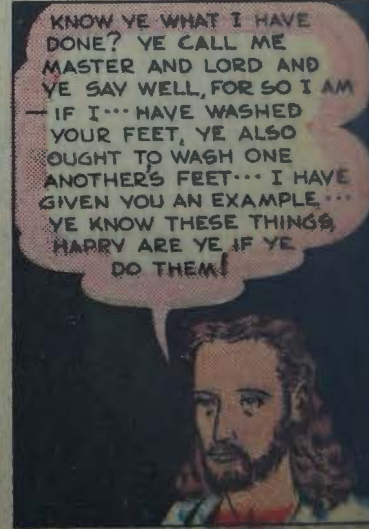
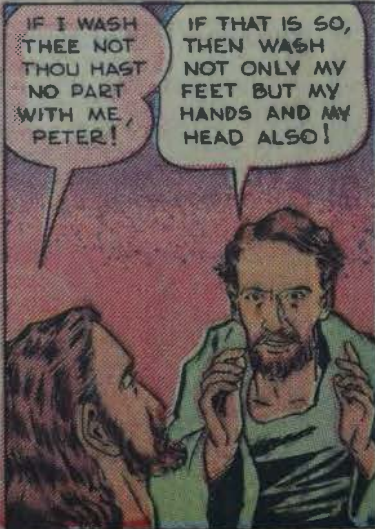
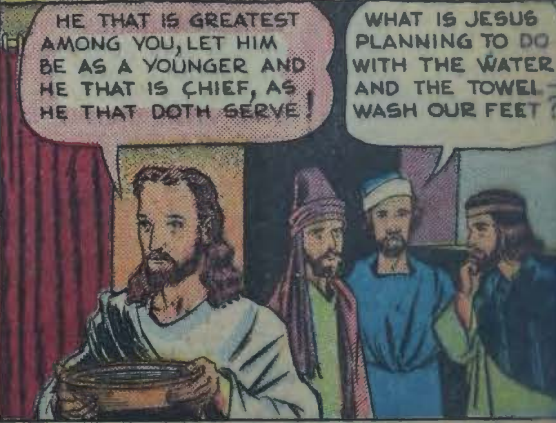
JUDAS ISCARIOT, ONE OF THE DISCIPLES, COMES IN AND AGREES TO BETRAY JESUS



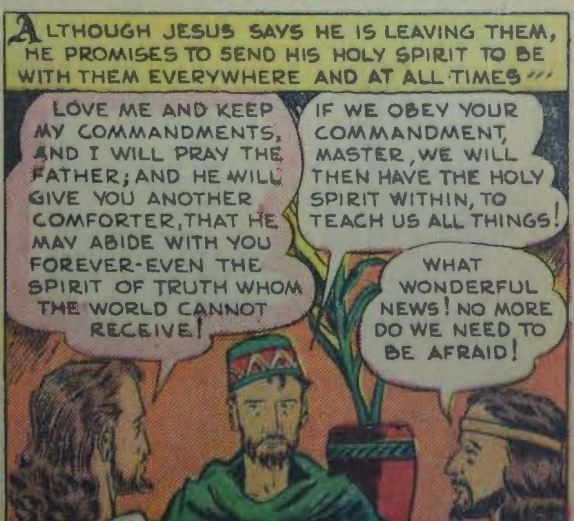
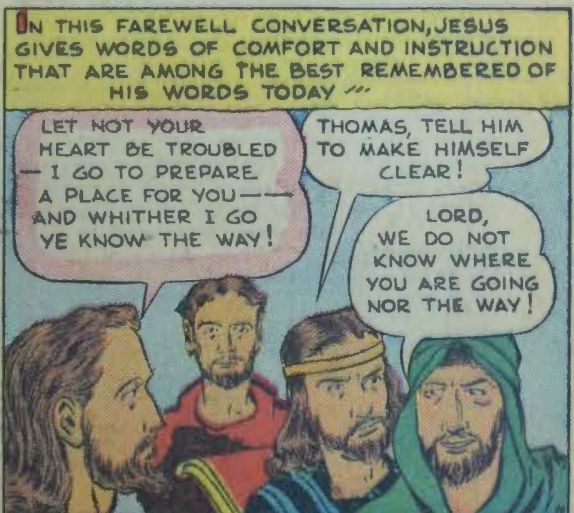
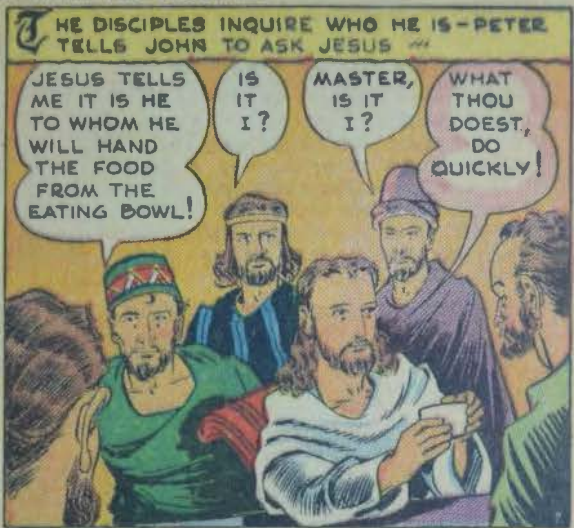
JESUS, ON THURSDAY, DECIDES TO OBSERVE THE JEWISH FEAST AND SENDS PETER AND JOHN AHEAD TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR A LARGE UPPER ROOM IN WHICH THEY CAN MEET



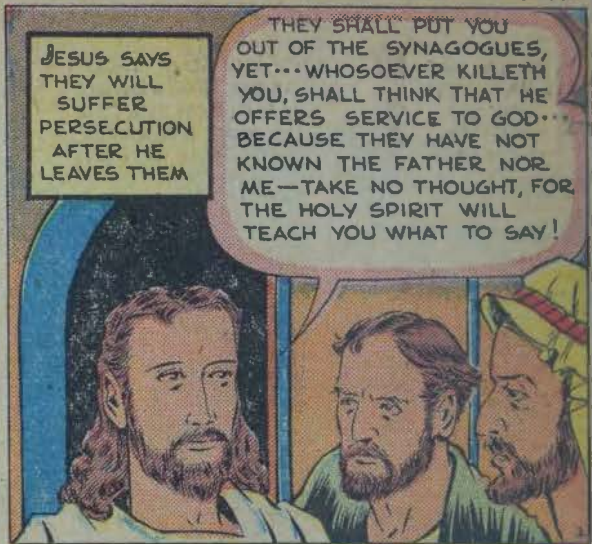
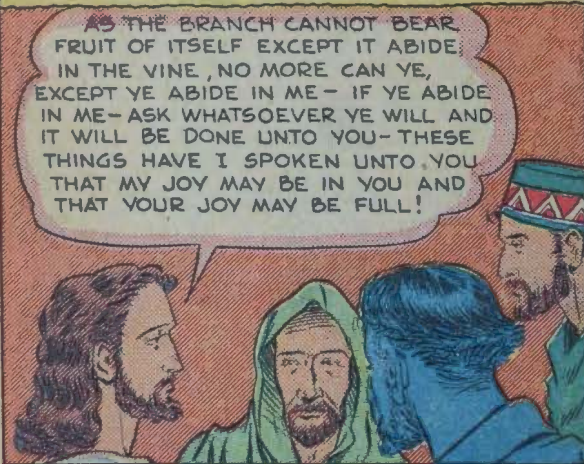
THE DISCIPLES, THINKING THAT JESUS IS NOW TO BEGIN HIS REIGN IN AN EARTHLY KINGDOM, ARGUE TOGETHER AS TO WHO WILL HAVE THE IMPORTANT POSITIONS



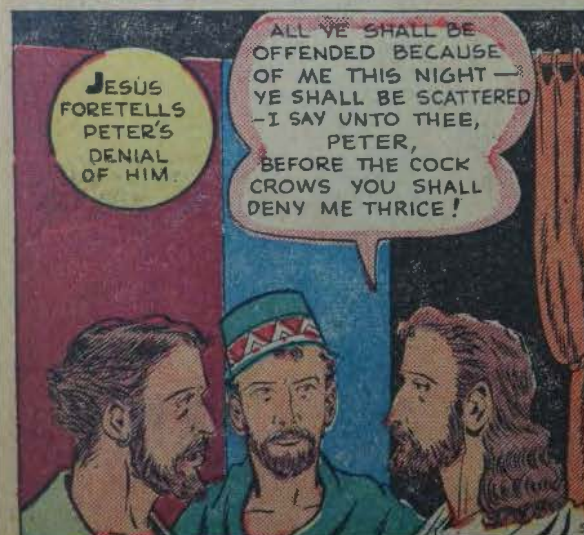
JESUS' LAST SUPPER WITH HIS DISCIPLES



JESUS COMPARES HIMSELF TO A VINE, HIS DISCIPLES TO THE BRANCHES AND GOD TO THE OWNER OF THE VINEYARD ~~~



THE DISCIPLES, STILL FEELING THAT JESUS IS THE PROMISED MESSIAH, CANNOT UNDERSTAND HIS WORDS ~~~



JESUS' FAREWELL PRAYER WITH HIS DISCIPLES

JESUS HAS
A FAREWELL
PRAYER
WITH HIS
DISCIPLES

THE HOUR HAS COME—
GLORIFY THY SON... THOU
HAST GIVEN HIM POWER
OVER ALL FLESH THAT HE
SHOULD GIVE ETERNAL
LIFE... AND THIS IS LIFE
ETERNAL, THAT THEY
MIGHT KNOW THEE... AND
JESUS CHRIST WHOM
THOU HAST SENT!



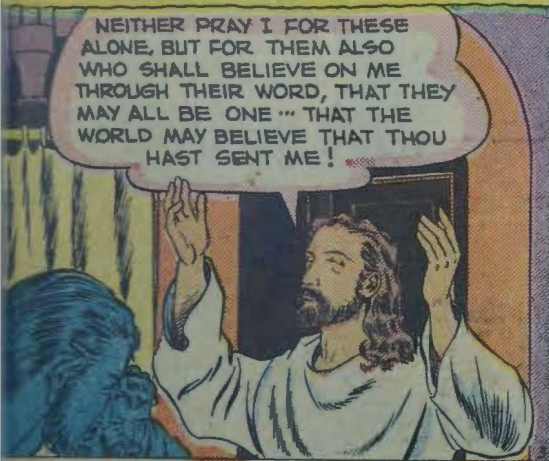
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HIS
DISCIPLES

I HAVE MANIFESTED THY
NAME UNTO THESE MEN
WHOM THOU GAVEST ME... THEY
HAVE KEPT THY WORD...
AND HAVE KNOWN SURELY
THAT I CAME FROM THEE
AND THOU DIDST SEND ME.
KEEP THOSE WHOM THOU
HAST GIVEN ME, THAT THEY
MAY BE ONE EVEN AS WE
ARE... THAT THEY MIGHT
HAVE MY JOY FULFILLED IN
THEMSELVES...



JESUS PRAYS FOR ALL WHO COME TO
BELIEVE ON HIM

NEITHER PRAY I FOR THESE
ALONE, BUT FOR THEM ALSO
WHO SHALL BELIEVE ON ME
THROUGH THEIR WORD, THAT THEY
MAY ALL BE ONE... THAT THE
WORLD MAY BELIEVE THAT THOU
HAST SENT ME!



JESUS' PRAYER IS THAT OTHERS MAY
COME TO KNOW AND FOLLOW HIS TEACHINGS

O RIGHTEOUS FATHER, THE
WORLD HATH NOT KNOWN THEE
—BUT I HAVE KNOWN THEE, AND
THESE HAVE KNOWN THAT THOU HAST
SENT ME... AND THEY WILL DECLARE
IT—THAT THE LOVE WHEREWITH
THOU HAST LOVED ME MAY BE IN
THEM AND I IN THEM!



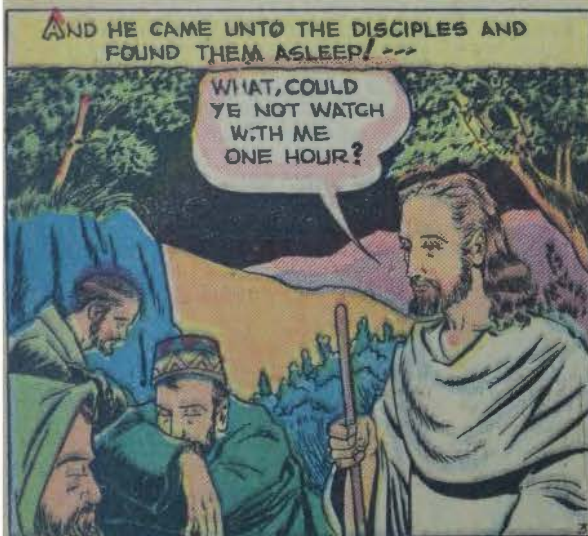
BEFORE
LEAVING
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A HYMN



IN THE VERY EARLY MORNING OF FRIDAY,
JESUS GOES WITH HIS DISCIPLES TO THE
GARDEN OF GETHSEMANE

SIT YE HERE
WHILE I GO
AND PRAY
YONDER!





JESUS' ARREST AND THE FLIGHT OF THE DISCIPLES

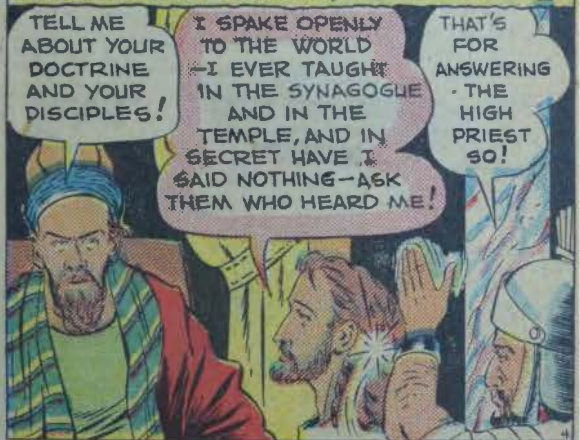
AT MIDNIGHT THURSDAY, JUDAS LEADS THE TEMPLE POLICE TO JESUS — HE IDENTIFIES JESUS BY KISSING HIM



WHEN THE DISCIPLES SEE THAT JESUS REFUSES TO LET THEM FIGHT, THEY FORSAKE HIM AND FLEE



VERY EARLY FRIDAY MORNING, JESUS IS TAKEN TO ANNAS, A FORMER HIGH PRIEST, FATHER-IN-LAW OF CAIAPHAS, THE HIGH PRIEST

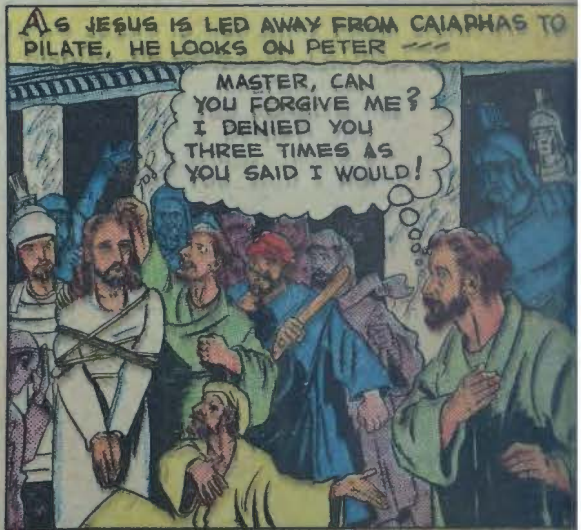
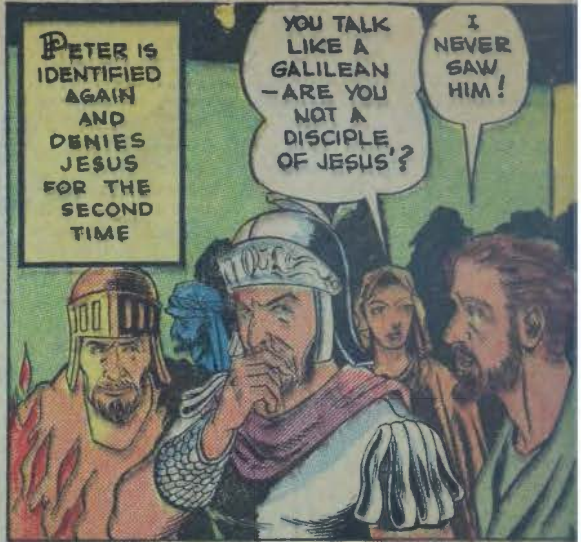


JESUS, BOUND, IS THEN SENT BY ANNAS TO CAIAPHAS, WHO TRIES TO FIND HIM GUILTY OF BREAKING THE LAWS



Matthew 26:48-68, Mark 14:44-65, Luke 22:48-53, John 18:4-14

PETER AND ANOTHER DISCIPLE FOLLOW JESUS TO HIS TRIAL BEFORE CAIAPHAS—



JESUS' ACCUSERS BRING HIM INTO THE JUDGMENT HALL OF PILATE—



PILATE'S EFFORTS TO FREE JESUS



Matthew 27:1-2, Luke 23:1-16, John 18:35-38



AND SO THE ROMAN SOLDIERS, UPON ORDERS FROM PILATE, LEAD JESUS AWAY TO CRUCIFY HIM
/////

JUDAS HANGS HIMSELF-SIMON CARRIES JESUS' CROSS

JUDAS, MEANWHILE SEES JESUS CONDEMNED TO DEATH-HE REPENTS OF HIS BETRAYAL AND WANTS TO RETURN THE THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER

I HAVE SINNED IN BETRAYING AN INNOCENT MAN!

WHAT'S THAT TO US?- THAT'S YOUR BUSINESS. YOU TOOK THE MONEY!

REMORSEFULLY, JUDAS THROWS DOWN THE MONEY BEFORE THEM IN THE TEMPLE

THERE, TAKE BACK THAT DIRTY MONEY, I CAN'T STAND HAVING IT!

WHAT WILL WE DO WITH THIS MONEY?

IT'S NOT LAWFUL TO PUT IT IN THE TEMPLE TREASURY!

LET'S BUY A CEMETERY TO BURY THE POOR!

CRAZED BY HIS AWFUL CRIME, JUDAS HANGS HIMSELF-A FIELD FOR BURIAL WAS BOUGHT WITH THE MONEY HE RETURNED THEREBY FULFILLING AN OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECY-"AND THEY TOOK THE THIRTY PIECES OF SILVER, THE PRICE OF HIM THAT WAS VALUED, WHOM THEY, OF THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL DID VALUE-AND GAVE THEM FOR THE POTTER'S FIELD. -JEREMIAH (ALSO SEE ZECHARIAH 11:12-13)

AS JESUS IS LED ALONG TO BE CRUCIFIED BY THE ROMAN SOLDIERS, HE IS REQUIRED TO CARRY HIS CROSS.

WITH ALL THE PUNISHMENT HE HAS ALREADY RECEIVED, HE CAN NEVER CARRY THAT CROSS ALONE!

HERE YOU, SIMON OF CYRENIA, YOU CARRY HIS CROSS!

EVEN IN HIS GREAT HOUR OF TRIAL, JESUS THINKS OF THE MULTITUDE, AS THEY WEEP FOR HIM

MY SIGHTLESS CHILD HE CURED- GOD MUST SAVE HIM!

HE HEALED MY SON LAME FROM BIRTH!

DAUGHTERS OF JERUSALEM, WEEP NOT FOR ME, BUT FOR YOURSELVES AND FOR YOUR CHILDREN!

Matthew 27:3-10, 27:32, Mark 15:21, Luke 23:26-30, John 19:17

JESUS IS CRUCIFIED WITH TWO MALEFACTORS

LATE FRIDAY MORNING JESUS WITH TWO CRIMINALS ARE BROUGHT TO THE HILL OF THE SKULL CALLED GOLGOTHA



THE THIEVES TALK TO JESUS



THE RELIGIOUS LEADERS RAIL ON JESUS AND ARE ANGRY AT PILATE'S SIGN ABOVE JESUS' HEAD



JESUS' MOTHER AND JOHN THE DISCIPLE ARE AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS



AT ABOUT 12 O'CLOCK FRIDAY THERE WAS A DARKNESS THAT LASTED UNTIL ABOUT 3 O'CLOCK



IN THE AGONY OF SUFFERING JESUS CRIES OUT



JESUS' LAST WORDS ON THE CROSS



Matthew 27:50-56, Mark 15:37-41, Luke 23:46-49, John 19:30-37

JESUS' BODY PLACED IN THE TOMB-A GUARD PLACED AROUND IT

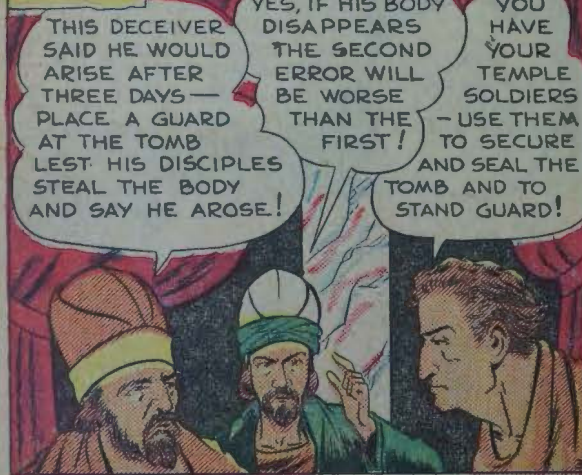
JOSEPH, A RICH MAN OF ARIMATHEA, REQUESTS JESUS' BODY //



NICODEMUS HELPS JOSEPH WRAP THE BODY IN LINEN- AND PLACE IT IN THE TOMB WHICH THEY CLOSE BY A LARGE STONE //



THE CHIEF PRIESTS AND PHARISEES VISIT PILATE //



THE SOLDIERS CARRY OUT INSTRUCTIONS AS JOSEPH AND NICODEMUS LEAVE //



ON SATURDAY, THE SABBATH, THE DISCIPLES AND FRIENDS OF JESUS IN MANY PLACES MOURN HIS DEATH //



WHILE SOME OF THE SOLDIERS WATCH, SUDDENLY THE EARTH QUAKES AND AN ANGEL-LIKE FIGURE APPEARS AND PUSHES AWAY THE ROCK AT THE ENTRANCE //



WOMEN VISIT THE TOMB - JESUS APPEARS TO MARY

EARLY SUNDAY MORNING MARY MAGDALENE AND ANOTHER MARY COME TO THE TOMB TO ANOINT JESUS' BODY WITH SPICES

WHO WILL ROLL AWAY THE HUGE STONE?

WHY SEE, THE STONE IS ALREADY MOVED, THERE'S SOME PERSON SITTING ON IT!



FEAR NOT! YE SEEK JESUS, HE IS RISEN - GO QUICKLY AND TELL THE DISCIPLES - YE SHALL SEE HIM ALIVE IN GALILEE!

I CAN'T BELIEVE THAT HE IS RISEN!

WHEN WE TELL THE DISCIPLES THEY WILL THINK IT AN IDLE TALE!



THE TWO MARYS MEET AND TELL PETER AND JOHN WHO RUN IMMEDIATELY TOWARD THE TOMB

IT'S UNBELIEVABLE

THE WOMEN ARE UNSTRUNG - WE'LL SEE!



THERE IS THE LINEN THAT HIS BODY WAS WRAPPED IN!

AND THERE IS THE NAPKIN THAT WAS ABOUT JESUS' HEAD - IT'S ALL VERY CONVINCING BUT LET'S GO HOME!



JESUS APPEARS TO MARY MAGDALENE, BUT SHE THINKS HE IS THE GARDENER

WHY WEEPEST THOU?

SIR, IF YOU HAVE TAKEN HIS BODY AWAY TELL ME WHERE, AND I WILL REMOVE IT!



JESUS NOW REVEALS HIMSELF TO HER

TOUCH ME NOT... BUT GO TO MY BRETHREN AND SAY UNTO THEM THAT I ASCEND UNTO MY FATHER AND TO YOUR FATHER!

RABBONI (THAT IS TO SAY "MASTER")



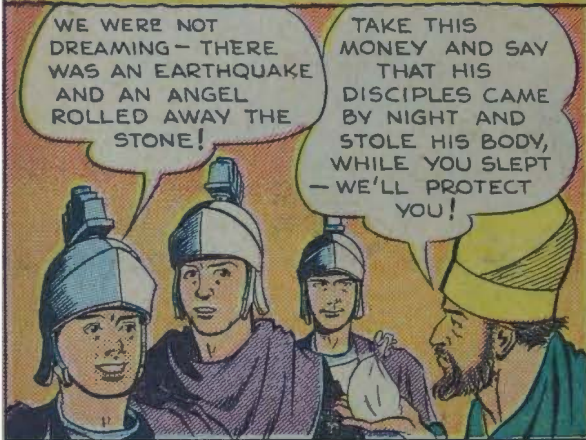
SO MARY HASTENS TO TELL THE DISCIPLES THAT SHE HAS ACTUALLY SEEN JESUS ALIVE

I THOUGHT AT FIRST HE WAS THE GARDENER - HE TOLD ME NOT TO TOUCH HIM AND SAID THAT HE WILL SEE YOU IN GALILEE!



HIGH PRIESTS BRIBE SOLDIERS—JESUS TALKS WITH TWO RETURNING FROM JERUSALEM

ON ANOTHER PART OF JERUSALEM, THE SOLDIERS WHO GUARDED THE TOMB, EXCITEDLY TELL THEIR EXPERIENCES TO THE CHIEF PRIESTS //

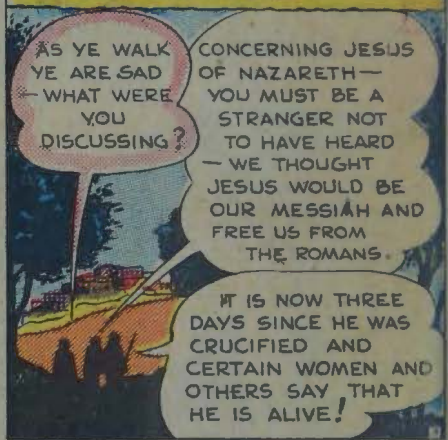


WE WERE NOT DREAMING—THERE WAS AN EARTHQUAKE AND AN ANGEL ROLLED AWAY THE STONE!

TAKE THIS MONEY AND SAY THAT HIS DISCIPLES CAME BY NIGHT AND STOLE HIS BODY, WHILE YOU SLEPT—WE'LL PROTECT YOU!

SO IT WAS COMMONLY REPORTED THAT JESUS' DISCIPLES CAME AND STOLE HIS BODY //

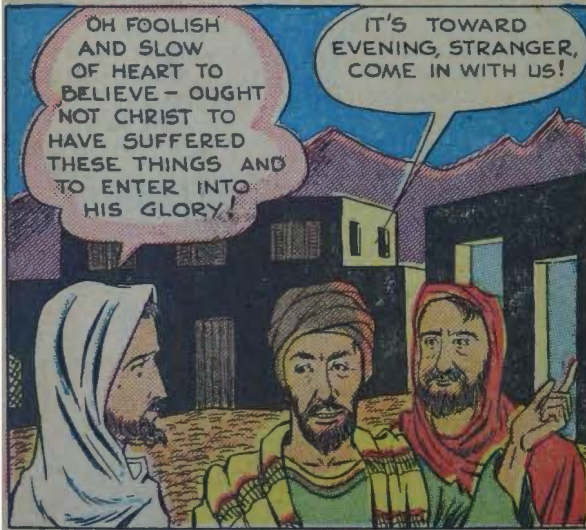
TWO OF JESUS' FOLLOWERS RETURN HOME TO EMMAUS, A SMALL TOWN NEAR JERUSALEM—A STRANGER MEETS UP WITH THEM.



AS YE WALK YE ARE SAD—WHAT WERE YOU DISCUSSING?

CONCERNING JESUS OF NAZARETH—YOU MUST BE A STRANGER NOT TO HAVE HEARD—WE THOUGHT JESUS WOULD BE OUR MESSIAH AND FREE US FROM THE ROMANS.

IT IS NOW THREE DAYS SINCE HE WAS CRUCIFIED AND CERTAIN WOMEN AND OTHERS SAY THAT HE IS ALIVE!



OH FOOLISH AND SLOW OF HEART TO BELIEVE—OUGHT NOT CHRIST TO HAVE SUFFERED THESE THINGS AND TO ENTER INTO HIS GLORY!

IT'S TOWARD EVENING, STRANGER, COME IN WITH US!

JESUS ACCEPTS THEIR INVITATION—HE IS RECOGNIZED AS HE EATS WITH THEM //



OH! IT IS YOU OUR LORD!

ONLY JESUS PRAYS AND BREAKS BREAD LIKE THAT!

SUDDENLY JESUS VANISHES FROM THEIR SIGHT AND THEY HASTEN TO JERUSALEM, WHERE THEY REPORT TO THE ELEVEN, WHAT HAPPENED //



WE HAVE SEEN JESUS—HE WALKED WITH US AND EVEN ATE WITH US!

YES, WE RECOGNIZED HIM IN THE BREAKING OF BREAD!

WHILE THE DISCIPLES CONVERSED TOGETHER JESUS APPEARS IN THEIR MIDST //

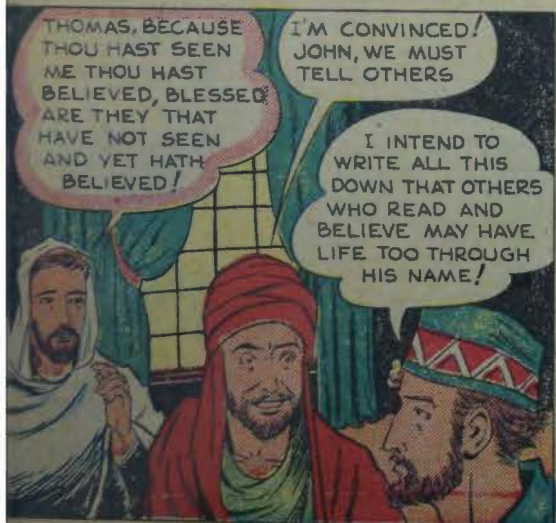
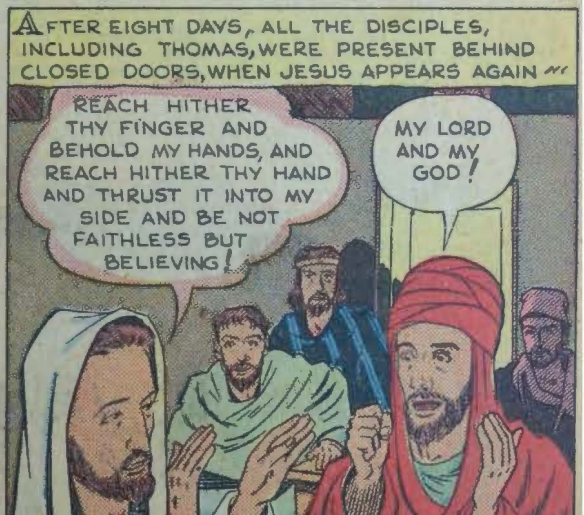
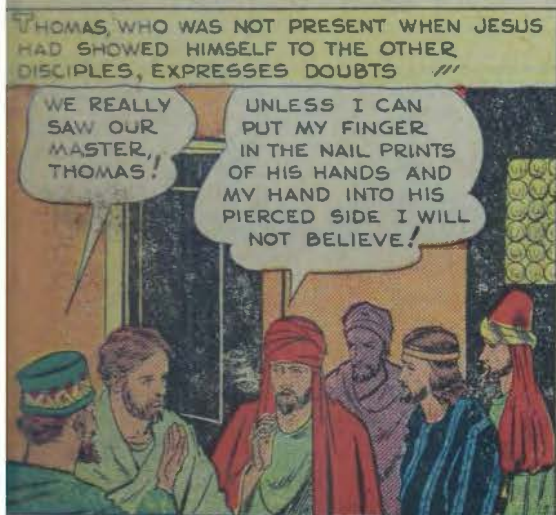
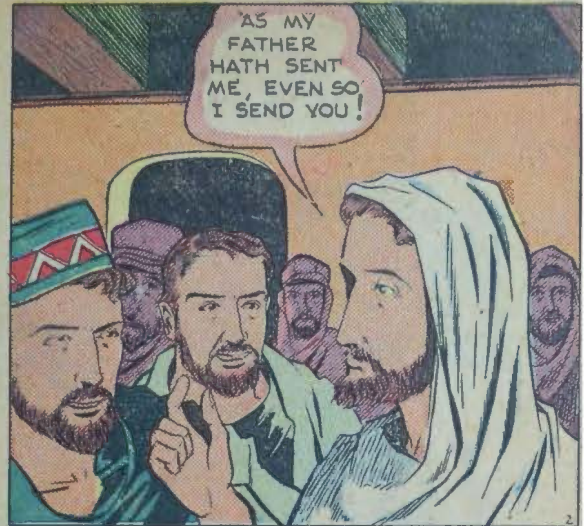


IT'S A SPIRIT WE SEE!

PEACE BE UNTO YOU—YES, IT IS I! BEHOLD MY HANDS AND FEET! TOUCH ME, FOR A SPIRIT HATH NOT FLESH AND BLOOD!

IT IS NO SPIRIT BUT OUR LORD HIMSELF!

JESUS SHOWS HIMSELF TO ALL THE DISCIPLES EXCEPT THOMAS WHO DOUBTS BUT IS LATER CONVINCED



Matthew 28:16, Mark 16:14, Luke 24:36-43, John 20:19-29

JESUS' THIRD APPEARANCE TO HIS DISCIPLES-THE GREAT CATCH OF FISH

THEY FISH ALL NIGHT AND CATCH NOTHING

THERE IS SOME ONE ON THE SHORE SPEAKING TO US!

CAST THE NET ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE BOAT AND YE SHALL FIND!



THEY OBEY AND NOW THEY ARE HARDLY ABLE TO DRAW IN THE NET BECAUSE OF SO MANY FISH

IT'S OUR MASTER, PETER!

THEN I'M GOING ASHORE TO GREET HIM!



DISCIPLES IN ANOTHER SHIP ARE ASKED TO HELP DRAW THE NET TO LAND

HOW MANY DID WE CATCH?

I'VE JUST COUNTED, ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THREE!

YES, AND OUR NET DID NOT BREAK!



WITH PLENTY OF FISH THEY ALL DINE AROUND THE FIRE - JESUS SERVES THEM

COME AND DINE

SEEMS GOOD FOR ALL OF US TO BE TOGETHER AGAIN!

THIS IS THE THIRD TIME JESUS HAS BEEN WITH US SINCE HE AROSE!



AFTER THEY HAD DINED, JESUS ASKS PETER THREE TIMES, IF HE LOVES HIM

MASTER, YOU KNOW ALL THINGS AND YOU KNOW I LOVE YOU!

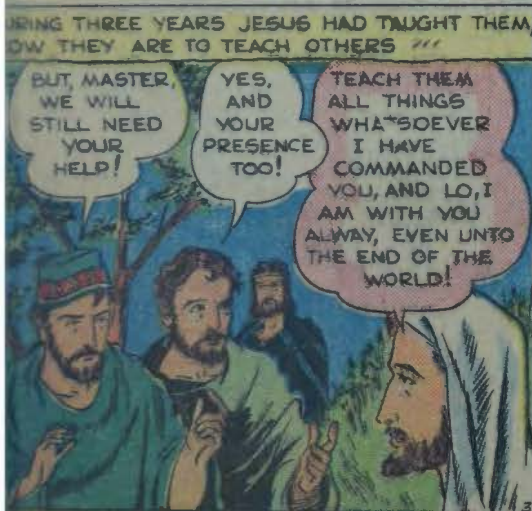
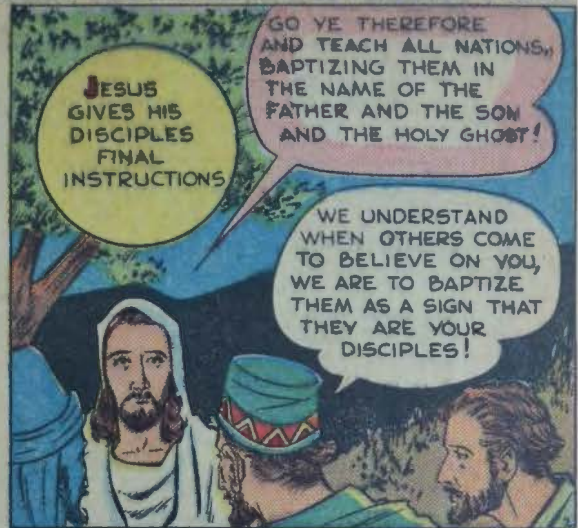
FOLLOW ME AND FEED MY SHEEP!



SO FOR FORTY DAYS AFTER HIS RESURRECTION, JESUS MEETS WITH HIS DISCIPLES AND TEACHES THEM ABOUT HIS KINGDOM - ONE DAY HE ASKS THAT THEY MEET HIM ON A MOUNTAIN IN GALILLEE

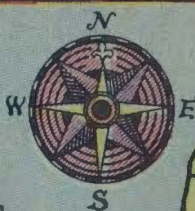
ALL THINGS MUST BE FULFILLED, WHICH WERE WRITTEN IN THE LAW OF MOSES, IN THE PROPHETS AND IN THE PSALMS CONCERNING ME!





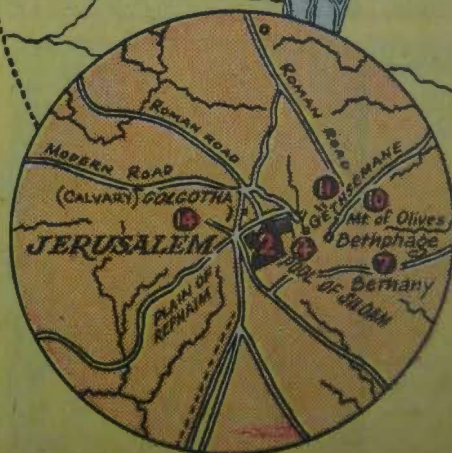
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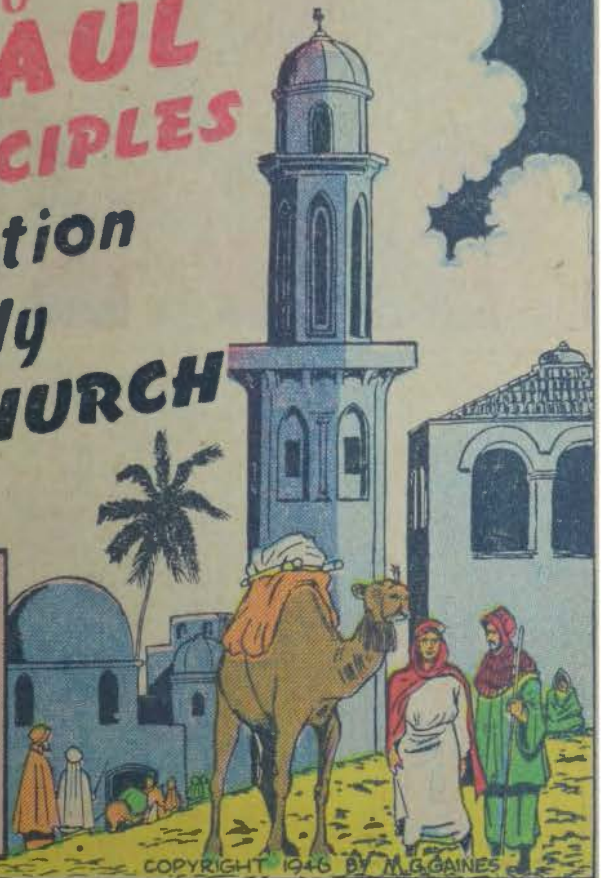
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"JUST AS HE WENT AWAY, HE TOLD HIS DISCIPLES TO TARRY IN JERUSALEM UNTIL THEY RECEIVED THE HOLY SPIRIT WHICH WAS TO GUIDE THEM AND OTHERS WHO BECAME HIS FOLLOWERS."



THE DISCIPLES NOW NUMBERING 120, INCLUDING THE MOTHER OF JESUS AND OTHER WOMEN, MEET IN AN UPPER ROOM — PETER SPEAKS:

ELEVEN OF US CALLED APOSTLES HAVE BEEN WITH JESUS FROM HIS BAPTISM — JUDAS THE TWELTH APOSTLE BETRAYED JESUS AND TOOK HIS OWN LIFE — NOW WE MUST FILL HIS PLACE!

I, PHILIP, SUGGEST THAT JOSEPH CALLED BARSBABAS BE CONSIDERED!

I, JOHN, WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MATTHIAS!



PETER PRAYS THAT GOD WILL GUIDE IN THE SELECTION, WHICH IS MADE BY THE CASTING OF LOTS — IT FALLS UPON MATTHIAS

MATTHIAS HAS BEEN SELECTED — MAY GOD KEEP HIM FAITHFUL!



EACH DAY, FOR 10 DAYS, THE DISCIPLES CONTINUE TO MEET FOR PRAYER, AWAITING THE PROMISED GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT — THEN COMES THE DAY CALLED PENTECOST

SUDDENLY THERE CAME A SOUND FROM HEAVEN AS OF A RUSHING MIGHTY WIND, AND IT FILLED ALL THE HOUSE WHERE THEY WERE SITTING — AND THERE APPEARED UNTO THEM CLOVEN TONGUES LIKE AS OF FIRE, AND IT SAT UPON EACH OF THEM — AND THEY WERE ALL FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND BEGAN TO SPEAK WITH OTHER TONGUES, AS THE SPIRIT GAVE THEM UTTERANCE

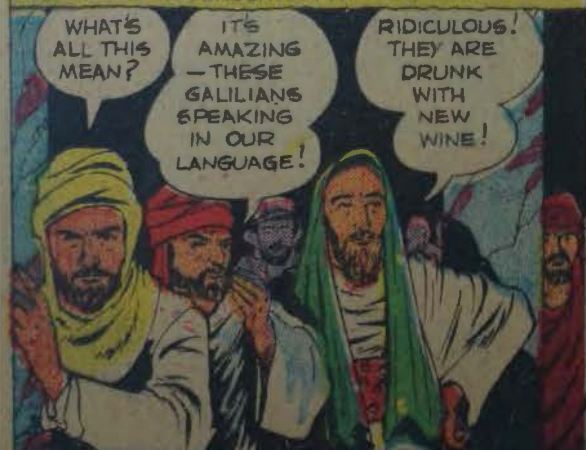


THIS UNUSUAL OCCURENCE ATTRACTS A LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT NATIONS WHO WERE IN JERUSALEM AT THAT TIME

WHAT'S ALL THIS MEAN?

IT'S AMAZING — THESE GALILIANS SPEAKING IN OUR LANGUAGE!

RIDICULOUS! THEY ARE DRUNK WITH NEW WINE!



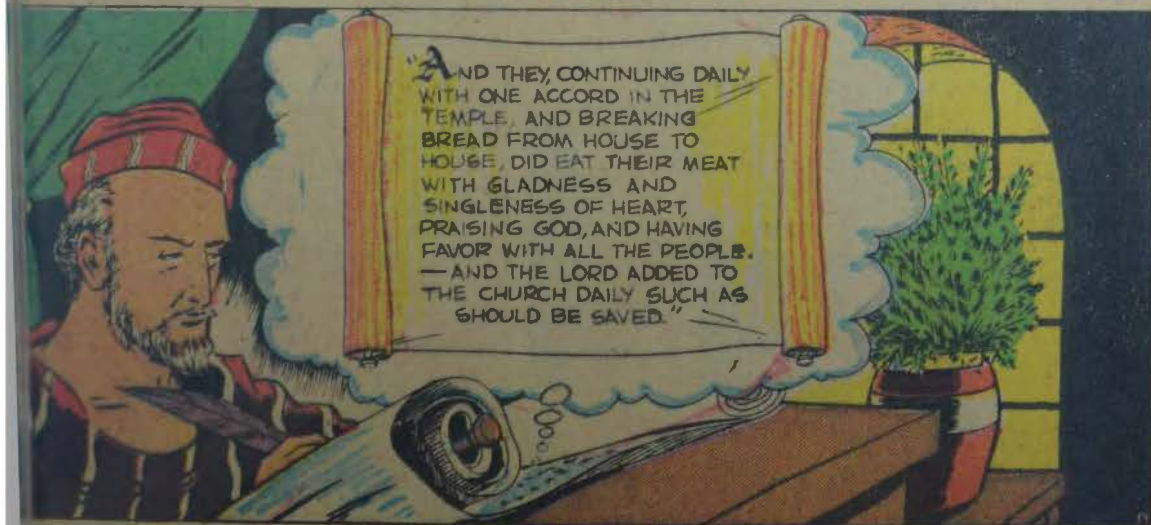
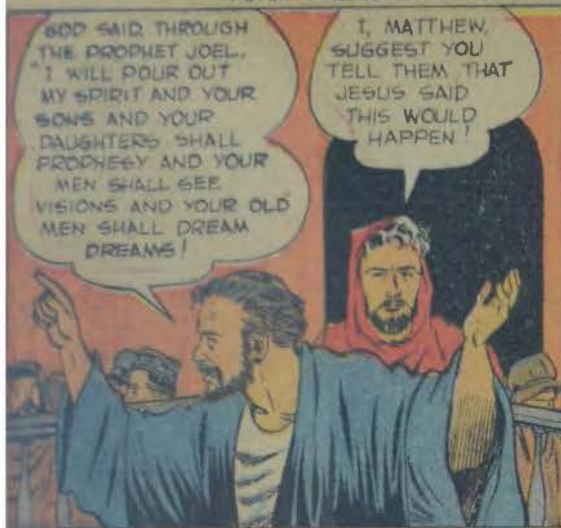
PETER EXPLAINS WHAT HAS HAPPENED

LISTEN, YOU MEN OF JUDEA, OF JERUSALEM AND OTHERS! — THESE PEOPLE ARE NOT DRUNK — HOW CAN THEY BE SO EARLY IN THE MORNING?

TELL THEM, PETER, ABOUT THE PROPHECIES FROM THE SCRIPTURES.

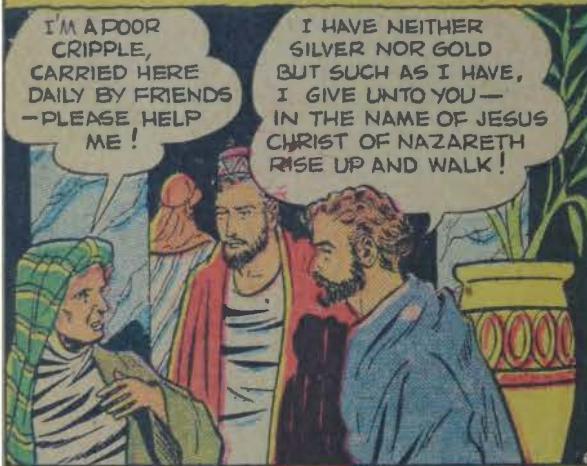


PETER PREACHES AND THREE THOUSAND BECOME DISCIPLES



PETER AND JOHN HEAL A LAME BEGGAR AND ARE PUT IN PRISON.

AS PETER AND JOHN ONE AFTERNOON WENT UP TO THE TEMPLE FOR PRAYER THEY MEET A BEGGAR, LAME FROM BIRTH //



I'M A POOR CRIPPLE, CARRIED HERE DAILY BY FRIENDS - PLEASE HELP ME!

I HAVE NEITHER SILVER NOR GOLD BUT SUCH AS I HAVE, I GIVE UNTO YOU - IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH RISE UP AND WALK!

YOU'VE CURED ME! - I NOW FEEL STRENGTH IN MY FEET AND ANKLE BONES!

IT IS NOT WE WHO HAVE HEALED YOU BUT JESUS IN WHOM YOU MUST BELIEVE!

COME WITH US INTO THE TEMPLE AND GIVE THANKS TO GOD!



THE NEWS OF THIS MAN'S CURE SPREADS RAPIDLY AND CROWDS GATHER ON THE PORCH OF THE TEMPLE //



YOU MARVEL AT THIS CURE - IT WAS NOT DONE BY US BUT THROUGH THE POWER OF JESUS - WHO HAS BEEN GLORIFIED BY THE GOD OF ABRAHAM, ISAAC AND JACOB, THE GOD OF OUR FATHERS!

PETER MAKES A STIRRING APPEAL!

REPENT AND BE CONVERTED THAT YOUR SINS MAY BE BLOTTED OUT - MOSES TOLD YOUR FOREFATHERS THAT GOD WOULD RAISE UP ONE WHOM YOU SHOULD HEAR IN ALL THINGS! - THE PROPHETS LIKEWISE FROM SAMUEL ON HAVE SPOKEN OF HIM!



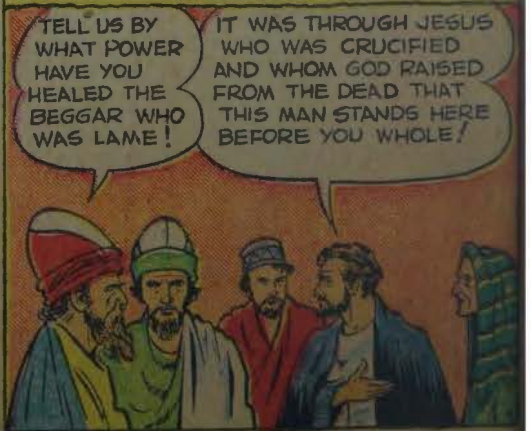
FIVE THOUSAND WHO LISTEN CAME TO BELIEVE IN JESUS

PETER INCURS THE DISPLEASURE OF THE PRIESTS, THE CAPTAIN OF THE TEMPLE AND THE SADDUCEES BECAUSE HE PREACHES THE RESURRECTION FROM THE DEAD //



YOU ARE STIRRING UP TROUBLE - YOU ARE ASKED TO APPEAR BEFORE THE LEADERS!

PETER AND JOHN ARE PUT IN PRISON OVER NIGHT - THE NEXT DAY THEY APPEAR BEFORE THE HIGH PRIESTS ANNAS AND CAIAPHAS //



TELL US BY WHAT POWER HAVE YOU HEALED THE BEGGAR WHO WAS LAME!

IT WAS THROUGH JESUS WHO WAS CRUCIFIED AND WHOM GOD RAISED FROM THE DEAD THAT THIS MAN STANDS HERE BEFORE YOU WHOLE!

THEY ARE RELEASED BUT FORBIDDEN TO PREACH OR HEAL. DISCIPLES DECIDE TO SHARE THEIR MONEY.

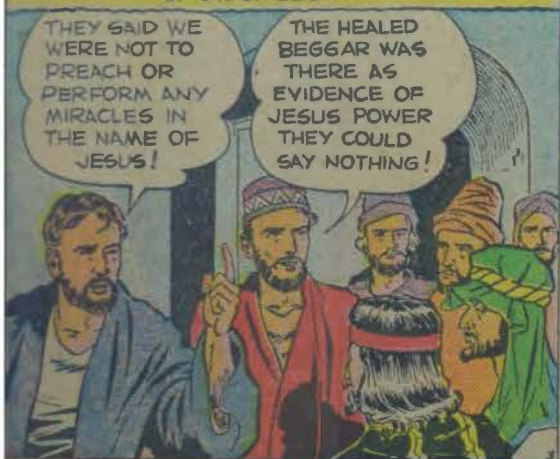
WITH PETER, JOHN AND THE BEGGAR OUT OF THE ROOM THE RELIGIOUS LEADERS CONFER ~~~



THE THREE ARE WARNED NOT TO PREACH ABOUT JESUS ~~~



PETER AND JOHN RETURN TO THE COMPANY OF DISCIPLES ~~~



THE DISCIPLES HOLD A PRAYER MEETING PRAISING GOD



AGAIN THERE WAS A SIGN OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THEIR MIDST ~~~



THESE EARLY DISCIPLES IN THEIR UNSELFISHNESS SOLD THEIR POSSESSIONS AND BROUGHT THE PROCEEDS TO HELP ALL ~~~



ANANIAS AND SAPPHIA, HIS WIFE, LIE ABOUT THEIR GIFTS AND DIE

"BUT A CERTAIN MAN NAMED ANANIAS WITH SAPPHIRA HIS WIFE, SOLD A POSSESSION"

YES, I GOT A GOOD PRICE FOR THE LAND— WE'LL KEEP PART OF THE MONEY AND TURN OVER THE BALANCE SAYING THAT WE ARE GIVING ALL!

IT'S A LARGE SUM ANYWAY — THEY WILL THINK US GENEROUS!

ANANIAS BRINGS HIS GIFT TO PETER

I SOLD MY LAND MY WIFE AND I DECIDED TO GIVE ALL THE MONEY TO THE COMMON FUND!

WHY DO YOU LISTEN TO SATAN AND LIE TO THE HOLY SPIRIT? THE MONEY WAS YOURS TO DO WITH AS YOU WISHED—YOU HAVE NOT LIED TO MAN BUT TO GOD!

ANANIAS IS PUNISHED FOR HIS LYING

LOOK! ANANIAS HAS FAINTED!

NO, HE IS DEAD— CARRY OUT HIS BODY AND BURY IT!

THREE HOURS LATER SAPPHIRA COMES IN, NOT KNOWING WHAT HAS HAPPENED

TELL ME, DID YOU SELL YOUR PROPERTY TO GIVE TO THE FUND?

YES, MY HUSBAND BROUGHT ALL THE MONEY TO YOU!

WHY DID YOU AND ANANIAS DECIDE TOGETHER TO TEMPT THE SPIRIT OF GOD? THE YOUNG MEN WHO CARRIED OUT YOUR DEAD HUSBAND ARE AT THE DOOR!

DEAD DID YOU SAY? I CAN'T STAND THIS!

SAPPHIRA ALSO DIES!

SHE WAS PUNISHED TOO FOR TELLING A FALSEHOOD!

AND GREAT FEAR CAME UPON ALL THE CHURCH AND UPON AS MANY AS HEARD THESE THINGS

PETER WITH OTHER DISCIPLES ARRESTED AGAIN FOR PREACHING AND HEALING

CROWDS FROM JERUSALEM AND TOWNS AROUND, BRING THEIR SICK TO PETER AND THE OTHER DISCIPLES, TO BE HEALED ~~~



BECAUSE OF THE INCREASING NUMBER OF BELIEVERS, PETER'S OPPONENTS BECAME INDIGNANT - THEY ARREST PETER WITH SOME OTHER DISCIPLES AND PUT THEM IN PRISON ~~~



THEY CALL A COUNCIL AND SEND FOR THE DISCIPLES IN THE PRISON ~~~



PETER AND HIS ASSOCIATES ARE BROUGHT BEFORE THE COUNCIL ~~~



THE RELIGIOUS AUTHORITIES HOLD A PRIVATE COUNCIL - GAMALIEL, A NOTED DOCTOR OF LAW, CAUTIONS THEM ~~~



HOWEVER, THE DISCIPLES WERE PUNISHED AND TOLD NOT TO PREACH ABOUT JESUS AGAIN.

AND THEY DEPARTED FROM THE PRESENCE OF THE COUNCIL, REJOICING THAT THEY WERE COUNTED WORTHY TO SUFFER SHAME FOR HIS NAME - AND DAILY IN THE TEMPLE, AND IN EVERY HOUSE, THEY CEASED NOT TO TEACH AND PREACH JESUS CHRIST.

STEPHEN BECOMES THE FIRST MARTYR. A YOUNG MAN, SAUL, STANDS BY WATCHING.

SEVEN DISCIPLES CALLED DEACONS ARE APPOINTED TO CARE FOR THE POOR~

YOU HAVE BEEN CHOSEN FOR THE BUSINESS SIDE OF OUR MINISTRY AND TO LOOK AFTER THE WIDOWS AND THE POOR AMONG US!

A GOOD SELECTION! — THEY ARE ALL MEN OF FAITH!

PETER ORDAINS THEM BY PRAYING AND LAYING ON HIS HANDS ~

OH, FATHER, WE HAVE BEEN LED TO SELECT THESE MEN — FILL THEM WITH THY SPIRIT OF WISDOM TO SERVE ACCEPTABLY!

ONE OF THE DEACONS WAS STEPHEN "A MAN FULL OF FAITH AND THE HOLY SPIRIT." BECAUSE OF A DISCUSSION WITH CERTAIN RELIGIOUS LEADERS HE IS BROUGHT BEFORE THEIR COUNCIL---

YOU ARE ACCUSED OF SAYING THINGS AGAINST MOSES AND EVEN AGAINST GOD!

I HEARD HIM SAY THAT JESUS WOULD DESTROY THIS TEMPLE AND CHANGE ALL THE LAWS GIVEN US BY MOSES!

THEY CAN'T CONFUSE STEPHEN — HE IS TOO SMART FOR THEM!

STEPHEN DEFENDS HIMSELF IN A LONG ADDRESS—HE SAYS THAT JESUS' TEACHINGS ARE NOT CONTRARY TO MOSES—THAT THEY ONLY MAKE THEM CLEARER ~

OUR FOREFATHERS IN BONDAGE IN EGYPT REFUSED TO BELIEVE THAT MOSES CAME TO DELIVER THEM—IT IS THE SAME NOW WITH JESUS —WHOM YOU REFUSE!

HIS OPPONENTS CRIED OUT WITH A LOUD VOICE AND STOPPED THEIR EARS WHEN STEPHEN EXCLAIMED.

BEHOLD I SEE THE HEAVENS OPEN AND THE SON OF MAN STANDING BY THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD!

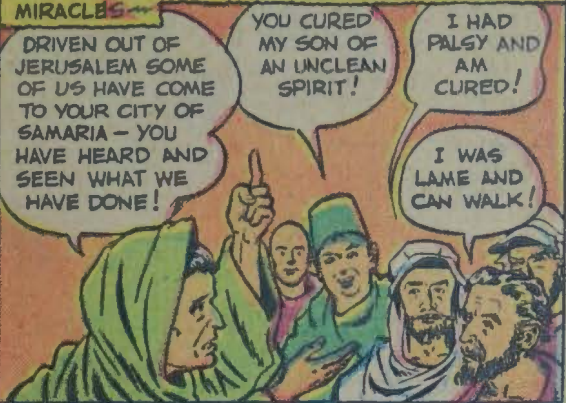
THUS STEPHEN WAS CONDEMNED TO DEATH AND BECAME THE FIRST MARTYR TO HIS FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST. AS A YOUNG MAN, SAUL, LOOKS ON~

LORD, LAY NOT THIS SIN TO THEIR CHARGE!

ANTAGONISM TOWARD THE DISCIPLES IN JERUSALEM BEGINS--SAUL TAKES A LEADING PART--



SO THE BELIEVERS WERE SCATTERED THROUGHOUT THE REGION OF JUDEA AND SAMARIA--PHILIP (NOT THE APOSTLE, BUT ONE OF THE NEW DEACONS) GOES TO THE CITY OF SAMARIA AND PREACHES, AND PERFORMS MIRACLES--



"THERE WAS A CERTAIN MAN CALLED SIMON--WHO USED SORCERY AND BEWITCHED THE PEOPLE--STATING THAT HE HIMSELF WAS SOME GREAT ONE TO WHOM THEY ALL GAVE HEED--SAYING "THIS MAN IS THE GREAT POWER OF GOD."

I'D LIKE TO DO MIRACLES TOO LIKE YOU--I NOW AM A BAPTISED BELIEVER!



WHEN THE DISCIPLES WHO REMAINED AT JERUSALEM HEARD OF THE LARGE NUMBER IN SAMARIA BECOMING FOLLOWERS THEY DECIDED TO SEND PETER AND JOHN TO HELP PHILIP--



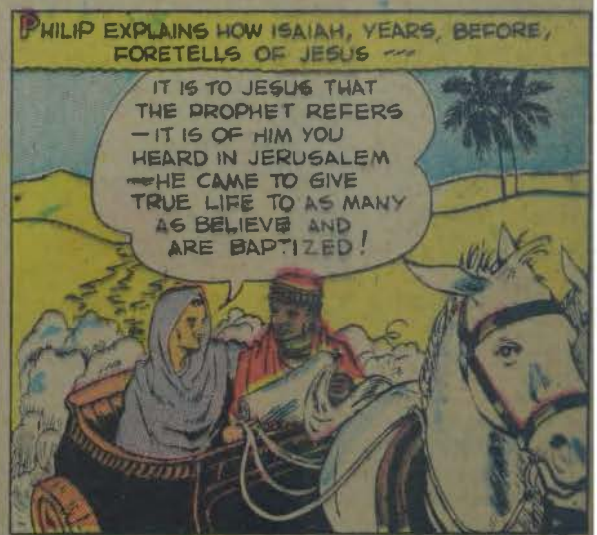
OH PRAY TO THE LORD FOR ME THAT NONE OF THESE THINGS COME UPON ME!



PETER AND JOHN, AFTER THEY PREACHED IN SAMARIA AND THE SURROUNDING TOWNS, RETURN AGAIN TO JERUSALEM--



PHILIP MEETS AN ETHIOPIAN. EXPLAINS ISAIAH'S PROPHECY AND BAPTIZES HIM.



SAUL PERSECUTES THE CHRISTIANS—IS BLINDED AND BROUGHT TO DAMASCUS

SAUL, MEANWHILE, DETERMINED TO ARREST THE CHRISTIANS. JOURNEYS TOWARD DAMASCUS—SUDDENLY THERE BURST UPON HIM A BLINDING LIGHT AND A VOICE FROM HEAVEN—



IT IS JESUS WHO SPEAKS TO SAUL—



IN ANOTHER PART OF DAMASCUS, JESUS APPEARS IN A VISION TO A DISCIPLE NAMED ANANIAS—



UPON A FURTHER COMMAND ANANIAS GOES TO VISIT SAUL—



SAUL HAS HIS SIGHT RESTORED UPON ANANIAS' VISIT—



SAUL BECOMES A FOLLOWER OF CHRIST. HIS FORMER COMPANIONS PLOT AGAINST HIM.

AFTER A LONG PERIOD OF MEDITATION IN THE DESERT, PAUL RETURNS TO DAMASCUS, A CHRISTIAN ~



CAN IT BE THAT SAUL, THE PERSECUTOR, IS NOW ONE OF US?

HE HAS BEEN BAPTIZED AND IS ALREADY PREACHING CHRIST IN OUR SYNAGOGUES!

SAUL DOES NOT HAVE AN EASY TIME OF IT — HIS FORMER COMPANIONS BEGIN CONSPIRING AGAINST HIM ~



LET'S WATCH THE TWO GATES OUT OF DAMASCUS AND GET SAUL WHEN HE TRIES TO LEAVE!

YES, LET'S STRIKE HIM DOWN FOR DESERTING US AND THE PRIESTS!

BUT SAUL'S FRIENDS HELP HIM TO ESCAPE BY LOWERING HIM IN A BASKET FROM THE CITY WALL ~



BROTHER BARNABAS HAS JUST GIVEN THE SIGNAL TO LET YOU DOWN — HE'LL GO WITH YOU TO JERUSALEM!

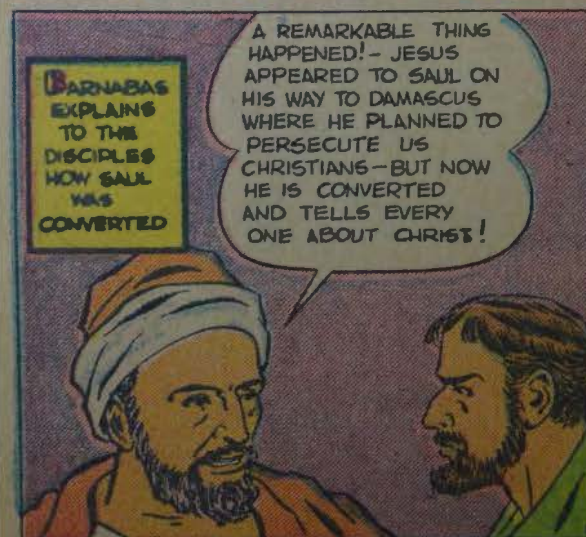
GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU SAFE!

SAUL AND BARNABAS REACH JERUSALEM — BUT ALL THE DISCIPLES THERE MISTRUST SAUL ~



PERHAPS THIS IS SAUL'S TRICK TO LEARN ABOUT US AND THEN ARREST US!

LET'S ASK BARNABAS — HE KNOWS!



BARNABAS EXPLAINS TO THE DISCIPLES HOW SAUL WAS CONVERTED

A REMARKABLE THING HAPPENED! — JESUS APPEARED TO SAUL ON HIS WAY TO DAMASCUS WHERE HE PLANNED TO PERSECUTE US CHRISTIANS — BUT NOW HE IS CONVERTED AND TELLS EVERY ONE ABOUT CHRIST!

AS SAUL PREACHES TO THE GREEKS IN JERUSALEM, HIS ENEMIES PLAN AGAIN TO SEIZE HIM ~



WHEN HE GETS THROUGH LET'S GRAB HIM AND TAKE HIM TO THE AUTHORITIES!

YES, HE IS A TRAITOR!

WITH THE DANGER TO SAUL'S LIFE INCREASING, HIS JERUSALEM FRIENDS DECIDE TO SEND HIM TO HIS HOME CITY OF TARSUS ~

HERE FROM CAESAREA YOU WILL GO BY BOAT TO TARSUS — AFTER THE TROUBLE BLOWS OVER, I'LL SEND OR COME FOR YOU!

YES, BETTER REST UP AND STAY AWAY FOR A WHILE!



"THEN HAD THE CHURCHES REST THROUGHOUT ALL JUDEA AND GALILEE AND SAMARIA, AND WERE EDIFIED; AND WALKING IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD, AND IN THE COMFORT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, WERE MULTIPLIED"



PETER IN THE MEANWHILE AS THE LEADER IN THE EARLY CHURCH, VISITS VARIOUS CITIES INCLUDING LYDDA — HERE HE MEETS ONE ENEAS, SICK WITH PALSY ~

ENEAS, JESUS CHRIST WILL MAKE YOU WHOLE — ARISE AND WALK!

I CAN DO IT! SEE I'M STANDING UP, THE FIRST TIME IN EIGHT YEARS!



WHEN ALL THE PEOPLE OF LYDDA AND THE ADJOINING TOWN OF SAGON SEE AND HEAR THIS CURED MAN, THEY BECOME BELIEVERS ~

WHAT JESUS CHRIST HAS DONE FOR AENEAS HE CAN DO FOR YOU!

JESUS' NOT ONLY CURED ME BUT FORGAVE MY SINS!



WHILE PREACHING AT LYDDA, PETER IS SUMMONED TO JOPPA A NEARBY TOWN ~

DORCAS, A DEVOUT CHRISTIAN WOMAN CALLED TABITHA, HAS DIED — THE DISCIPLES ASK THAT YOU COME AND COMFORT THEM!

I'LL GO WITH YOU AT ONCE!



IN DORCAS' HOUSE PETER FINDS HER FRIENDS WEeping ~

TABITHA WAS ALWAYS DOING GOOD TO OTHERS!

THESE VERY COATS AND GARMENTS SHE MADE TO GIVE AWAY!

ALL OF YOU PLEASE LEAVE NOW!



PETER RAISES DORCAS FROM THE DEAD

PETER PRAYS BY THE BEDSIDE OF DORCAS



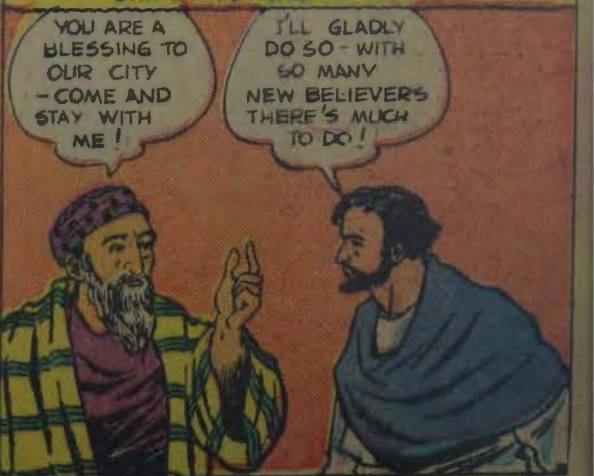
PETER CALLING HER BY HER GIVEN NAME TELLS HER TO GET UP



THE NEWS SPREAD ALL OVER JOPPA AND MANY CAME TO BELIEVE IN GOD



SIMON A TANNER IN JOPPA INVITES PETER TO STAY AT HIS HOME



CORNELIUS IN CAESAREA AND PETER IN JOPPA HAVE STRANGE VISIONS.

A ROMAN CENTURIAN NAMED CORNELIUS, LIVING IN CAESAREA WAS AT PRAYER ONE AFTERNOON, WHEN IN A VISION, AN ANGEL APPEARS ~~~



WHAT IS IT YOU WANT?

CORNELIUS, YOUR PRAYERS AND GENEROUS GIFTS HAVE COME UP AS A MEMORIAL TO GOD—SEND TO JOPPA AND ASK FOR ONE, PETER, TO COME HERE TO YOUR HOME!

CORNELIUS DISPATCHES TWO SERVANTS AND A SOLDIER TO BRING PETER ~~~



GO TO JOPPA, FIND PETER, AS THE ANGEL HAS SAID, AND ASK HIM TO COME HERE!

WE'LL TELL HIM ALL THAT HAPPENED!

THE NEXT DAY AROUND NOON THE MEN ARRIVED AT JOPPA—PETER IS PRAYING AND RESTING ON THE HOUSE TOP ~~~



I WISH MY FRIENDS WOULD HURRY WITH DINNER—I'M DROWSY, I'LL TAKE A LITTLE NAP!

PETER HAS A STRANGE DREAM—A SHEET IS LET DOWN FROM HEAVEN BY FOUR CORNERS—IN IT ARE ALL MANNER OF WILD ANIMALS, CREEPING THINGS AND BIRDS ~~~



RISE, PETER, KILL AND EAT!

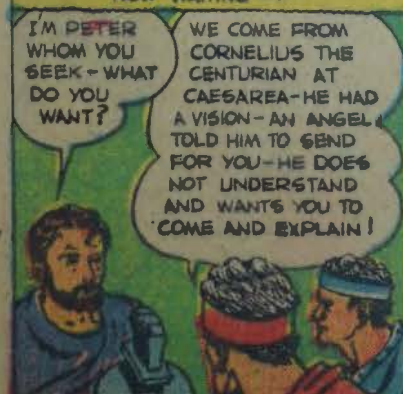
NOT SO, LORD—I'VE NEVER EATEN ANYTHING WHICH IS COMMON OR UNCLEAN!

PETER IS PERPLEXED, BECAUSE AS A DEVOUT JEW, HE OBSERVED STRICTLY THE JEWISH DIETARY LAWS ~~~



WHAT DOES ALL THIS MEAN?

WHILE PETER PONDERES ABOUT THESE THINGS, THE HOLY SPIRIT WITHIN TELLS HIM TO GO DOWNSTAIRS WHERE THE THREE MEN ARE NOW WAITING ~~~



I'M PETER WHOM YOU SEEK—WHAT DO YOU WANT?

WE CAME FROM CORNELIUS THE CENTURIAN AT CAESAREA—HE HAD A VISION—AN ANGEL TOLD HIM TO SEND FOR YOU—HE DOES NOT UNDERSTAND AND WANTS YOU TO COME AND EXPLAIN!

SO PETER, CONVINCED THAT GOD HAS SOME PURPOSE IN THESE STRANGE HAPPENINGS, TAKES SOME FRIENDS AND GOES ALONG THE NEXT MORNING TO VISIT CORNELIUS

CORNELIUS WITH HIS RELATIVES AND FRIENDS AWAIT PETER'S ARRIVAL //

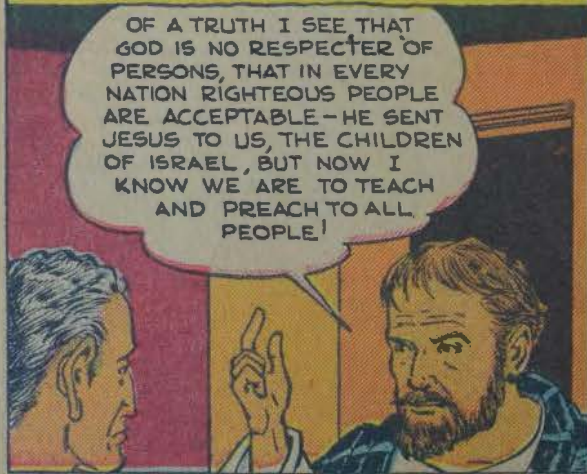


I CALLED FOR YOU TO EXPLAIN SOME MYSTERIOUS THINGS THAT HAPPENED—FOUR DAYS AGO, ABOUT THIS TIME, I WAS PRAYING, WHEN AN ANGEL APPEARED AND TOLD ME TO SEND FOR YOU!

WHILE WE HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO PREACH TO THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL, GOD HAS DIRECTED ME HERE TO YOU!



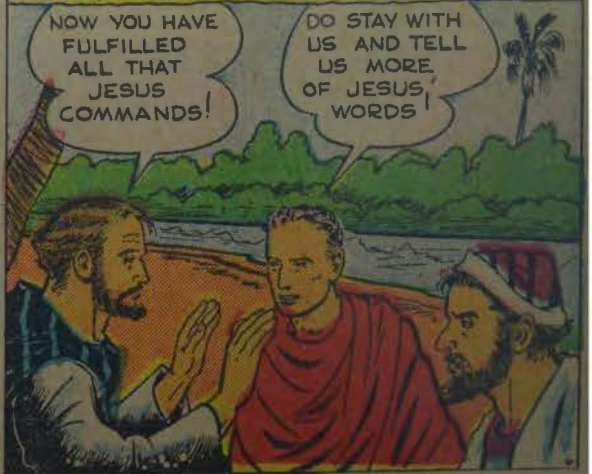
PETER NOW BEGINS TO UNDERSTAND WHY GOD SENT HIM TO CORNELIUS //



AS PETER SPEAKS THE HOLY SPIRIT COMES INTO THE HEARTS OF HIS LISTENERS //

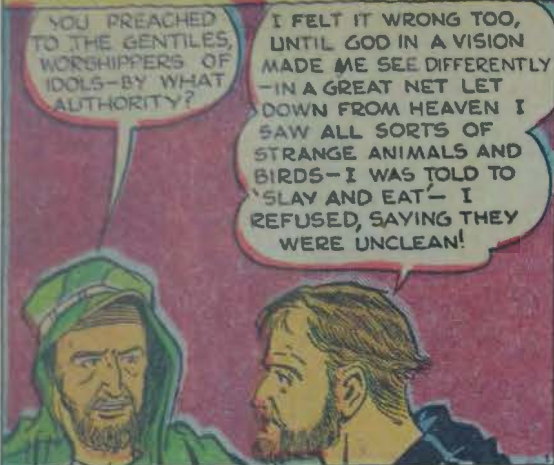


FROM NOW ON ALL BELIEVERS, NOT ONLY JEWS, BUT ALSO GENTILES, ARE BAPTIZED—



PETER EXPLAINS WHY HE, CONTRARY TO JEWISH CUSTOM, VISITS GENTILES.

PETER UPON RETURNING TO JERUSALEM IS ASKED TO EXPLAIN HIS CONDUCT



BUT PETER, WHAT HAS ALL THIS TO DO WITH PREACHING TO THE GENTILES?

I COULD NOT UNDERSTAND UNTIL CORNELIUS SENT FOR ME TO EXPLAIN HIS VISION— THEN WHEN I PREACHED JESUS, AND ALL ACCEPTED HIM, I UNDERSTOOD BOTH VISIONS, MINE AND HIS—THEY MEAN THE GOSPEL IS FOR JEW AND GENTILE ALIKE.



WHEN THEY HEARD THESE THINGS, THEY HELD THEIR PEACE, AND GLORIFIED GOD, SAYING, THEN HATH GOD ALSO TO THE GENTILES, GRANTED REPENTANCE UNTO LIFE!



THE PERSECUTION OF JESUS' DISCIPLES AT THE TIME OF STEPHEN'S DEATH, SCATTERED THEM TO OTHER PLACES INCLUDING THE CITY OF ANTIOCH WHICH BECAME A LARGE COLONY OF BELIEVERS. BARNABAS IS SENT FROM JERUSALEM TO PREACH THERE

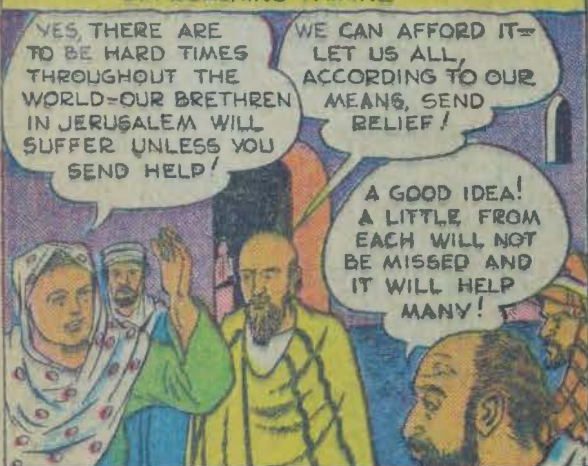


WITH THE INCREASING NUMBER OF NEW CONVERTS, BARNABAS PERSUADES SAUL OF TARSUS TO HELP HIM IN ANTIOCH, WHERE THEY WORK TOGETHER FOR A WHOLE YEAR.

UP TO THAT TIME THE CHURCH CONSISTED OF JEWS ONLY— AND WAS NOT YET CONSIDERED A SEPARATE RELIGION, BUT A JEWISH SECT.

NOW THE CONVERTS WERE CALLED FOR THE FIRST TIME— CHRISTIANS!

ANOTHER DISCIPLE NAMED AGABUS IS SENT TO HELP AT ANTIOCH - HE FORETELLS OF AN APPROACHING FAMINE



SO MONEY COLLECTED IN ANTIOCH WAS SENT BY BARNABAS AND SAUL TO THE CHURCH ELDERS AT JERUSALEM



JUST BEFORE EASTER, PETER IS THROWN INTO PRISON CHAINED TO TWO SOLDIERS-AN ANGEL RELEASES HIM



MUCH TO PETER'S AMAZEMENT HIS CHAINS FALL OFF AND THE PRISON DOORS OPEN AS HE AND THE ANGEL PASS OUT TO THE STREET



A GROUP OF DISCIPLES, AT THE HOME OF MARY, MARK'S MOTHER, ARE PRAYING BEHIND LOCKED DOORS, FOR PETER'S RELEASE - A YOUNG GIRL, RHODA, HEARS PETERS' KNOCKING

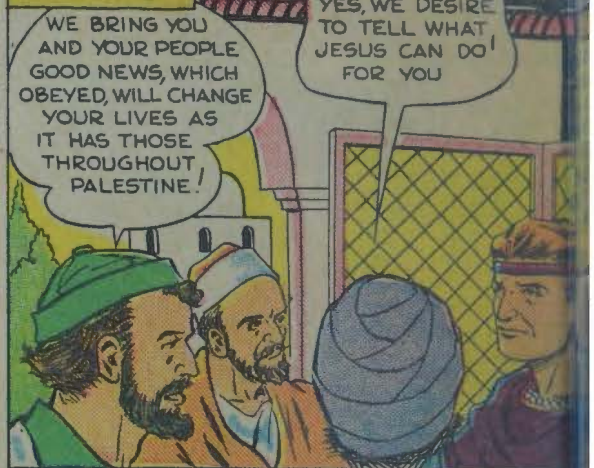




AGAIN BACK IN ANTIOCH BARNABAS AND SAUL, AFTER PRAYING DECIDE TO START ON A MISSIONARY JOURNEY, TAKING WITH THEM JOHN MARK



A PROCONSUL AT PAPHOS, NAMED SERGIUS IS INTERESTED TO HEAR PAUL TELL WHY THEY HAVE COME



BUT A FALSE PROPHET AND SORCERER NAMED BAR-JESUS FEARS THAT THIS NEW DOCTRINE WILL DESTROY HIS INFLUENCE—SAUL TURNS ON HIM



NEXT THE THREE MISSIONARIES LEAVE TO SAIL ACROSS TO PERGA IN THE PROVINCE OF PAMPHYLIA—HERE JOHN LEAVES THEM TO RETURN TO JERUSALEM—PAUL AND BARNABAS TRAVEL UP NORTH TO ANTIOCH IN PISIDIA WHERE THEY SPEAK IN A SYNAGOGUE.



THE SYNAGOGUE IS CROWDED THE NEXT WEEK. THE RELIGIOUS LEADERS ARE JEALOUS OF THE VISITORS' POPULARITY AND OPPOSE PAUL AND BARNABAS



WHEN THE GENTILES HEARD THIS THEY WERE GLAD... AND THE WORD OF THE LORD WAS PUBLISHED THROUGHOUT ALL THE REGION—BUT THE LEADERS RAISED PERSECUTION AGAINST THEM AND EXPELLED THEM OUT OF THEIR COASTS

ICONIUM REACHED. AT LYSTRA A CRIPPLE IS HEALED. PAUL IS IN GREAT DANGER.



BUT PAUL RECOVERS AND WITH BARNABAS PLANS TO START BACK HOME

WE WILL RETURN BY WAY OF THE CITIES IN WHICH WE PREACHED — DERBE, LYSTRA, ICONIUM AND ANTIOCH!

WE WILL PASS DOWN THROUGH THE PROVINCES OF PISIDIA AND PAMPHYLIA, STOP AT PERGA AND SET SAIL FROM ATTALIA!



AFTER THREE YEARS AWAY ON THEIR FIRST MISSIONARY JOURNEY, PAUL AND BARNABAS REACH ANTIOCH WHERE THE CHRISTIANS GIVE THEM A HEARTY WELCOME

OUR PRAYERS FOR YOU HAVE BEEN ANSWERED — YOU ARE BACK SAFE!

TELL US ALL THAT HAPPENED!

GOD OPENED THE WAY FOR US TO PREACH ABOUT JESUS IN THE MOST REMOTE CITIES!



SOME ACCEPTED JESUS AS THEIR SAVIOR, OTHERS OPPOSED US AND EVEN STONED US BUT WE WERE MARVELLOUSLY PROTECTED!

EVEN IN ANTIOCH TROUBLE STARTS AMONG THE CHURCH MEMBERS—SOME DISCIPLES FROM JERUSALEM SAY ALL GENTILES MUST OBSERVE CERTAIN JEWISH RITES TO BECOME CHRISTIANS—PAUL AND BARNABAS DISAGREE

ONLY FAITH, NOT BLIND OBSERVANCE IS NECESSARY TO BE A FOLLOWER OF JESUS!

THEN WHY DID JESUS HAVE JEWS ONLY FOR HIS DISCIPLES AND PREACH TO THE JEWS NOT GENTILES?

THESE QUESTIONS CAN BE DECIDED ONLY BY THE CHURCH AUTHORITIES IN JERUSALEM!



SO PAUL AND BARNABAS GO TO JERUSALEM AND APPEAR BEFORE THE APOSTLES AND CHURCH ELDERS

BARNABAS AND I APPRECIATE YOUR WELCOME—ON OUR LONG JOURNEY WE PREACHED TO JEWS AND GENTILES ALIKE. NOW A TROUBLESOME QUESTION ARISES WHICH MUST BE SETTLED—TO BECOME A CHRISTIAN MUST A GENTILE FIRST BECOME A JEW?



A LONG SPIRITED DEBATE ENSUES—PETER, AND JAMES, JESUS' BROTHER SPEAK

I, PETER, SPEAK FROM AN EXPERIENCE WITH GOD'S LEADING — WE HAVE NO RIGHT TO PUT ANY YOKE UPON THE NECK OF GENTILES WHO DECIDE TO BE CHRISTIANS!

I, JAMES, ALSO AGREE TO THIS — LET US SEND PAUL AND BARNABAS BACK TO ANTIOCH WITH JUDAS AND SILAS, AND SAY THAT THIS IS OUR OFFICIAL DECISION!



IT SEEMS GOOD UNTO US TO SEND OUR BELOVED BARNABAS AND PAUL WHO HAVE HAZARDED THEIR LIVES FOR OUR LORD JESUS; ALSO WE SEND JUDAS AND SILAS WHO WILL TELL THE SAME THINGS. FOR IT SEEMED GOOD TO THE HOLY-SPIRIT AND TO US, TO LAY UPON YOU NO GREATER BURDEN THAN A FEW NECESSARY THINGS

PAUL TAKES SILAS; AT LYSTRA, TIMOTHY JOINS THEM.

BACK IN ANTIOCH PAUL HAS A STRONG DESIRE TO VISIT THE CITIES WHERE HE AND BARNABAS PREACHED ON THEIR MISSIONARY TRIP

LET US GO AGAIN AND VISIT THE BRETHREN IN EVERY CITY WHERE WE PREACHED THE WORD OF THE LORD!

FINE, AND LET'S TAKE MY NEPHEW JOHN MARK AGAIN!



BUT PAUL OBJECTS TO JOHN MARK'S GOING

REMEMBER HOW ON OUR FIRST TRIP HE LEFT US AT PAMPHYLIA AND RETURNED HOME—I DON'T WANT TO RISK THAT AGAIN!



SO PAUL AND BARNABAS SEPARATE—PAUL CHOOSES SILAS FOR HIS COMPANION—BARNABAS TAKES JOHN MARK AND SAILS FOR CYPRUS

YOU AND I, SILAS, WILL GO TOGETHER FIRST THROUGH SYRIA AND CILICIA VISITING THE CHURCHES THERE AND THEN ON TO DERBE AND LYSTRA!



AT LYSTRA, PAUL MEETS AN EARNEST YOUNG DISCIPLE NAMED TIMOTHY

TIMOTHY, I WANT YOU TO GO ALONG WITH SILAS AND ME!

YES, YOU WILL HELP US GREATLY—YOUR PARENTS ARE WELL KNOWN, YOUR MOTHER AS A JEWESS, AND YOUR FATHER AS A GREEK!



THE THREE TRAVELED THE REGION OF PHRYGIA AND GALATIA, AVOIDING SPEAKING IN ASIA AND BITHYNIA—THEY COME TO THE SEA-COAST TOWN OF TRIAS IN MYSIA WHERE PAUL HAS A VISION

COME OVER TO MACEDONIA AND HELP US!



AFTER HE HAD SEEN THE VISION, IMMEDIATELY WE ENDEAVORED TO GO INTO MACEDONIA ASSURED THAT THE LORD HAD CALLED US TO PREACH THE GOSPEL UNTO THEM



SO SAILING FROM TROAS IN A STRAIGHT COURSE TO SAMOTHRACIA THEY ARRIVED THE NEXT DAY AT NEAPOLIS AND THEN GO TO PHILIPPI, CHIEF CITY OF MACEDONIA ~



WE ARE GLAD ON THIS SABBATH DAY TO HOLD A MEETING TO WORSHIP GOD AND EXPLAIN WHY WE HAVE COME!

I AM LYDIA FROM THYATIRA-A SELLER OF PURPLE CLOTH-MY HEART HAS BEEN TOUCHED-I WANT YOU TO COME TO MY HOME AND BAPTIZE ME AND MY HOUSEHOLD!

DO THE THREE STAY AT LYDIA'S HOME WHILE THEY PREACH IN THE CITY-A STRANGE WOMAN KEEPS FOLLOWING AND INTERRUPTING PAUL ~

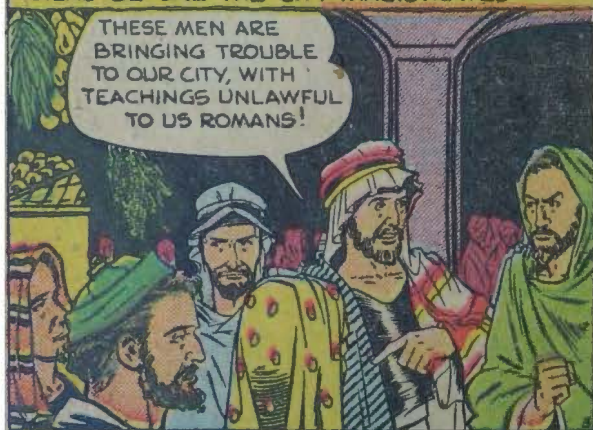


THESE MEN ARE SERVANTS OF GOD AND SHOW US THE WAY OF SALVATION!

SHE HAS AN EVIL SPIRIT-BY FORTUNE TELLING SHE EARNS A LOT OF MONEY FOR HER MASTERS!

I COMMAND THE EVIL SPIRIT THAT POSSESSES YOU, TO COME OUT!

THE EVIL SPIRIT COMES OUT, AND HER MASTERS ARE ANGRY BECAUSE SHE NO LONGER WOULD EARN MONEY FOR THEM-THEY TAKE PAUL AND SILAS BEFORE THE CITY MAGISTRATES ~



THESE MEN ARE BRINGING TROUBLE TO OUR CITY, WITH TEACHINGS UNLAWFUL TO US ROMANS!

THEY ARE THROWN INTO PRISON WITH THEIR FEET MADE FAST IN STOCKS-AT MIDNIGHT WHILE PAUL AND SILAS ARE SINGING AND PRAYING AN EARTHQUAKE BREAKS OPEN THE DOORS AND LOOSENS THEIR FEET-THE FRIGHTENED JAILER NEARBY DRAWS HIS SWORD TO KILL HIMSELF ~



JAILER, DON'T HARM YOURSELF WE HAVE NOT ESCAPED!

FRIGHTENED AND CONVINCED THAT THESE ARE MEN OF GOD AND CONSCIOUS OF HIS SINS HE CRIES OUT ~



BUT WHAT MUST I DO TO BE SAVED?

BELIEVE ON THE LORD JESUS CHRIST AND YOU AND YOUR HOUSEHOLD WILL BE SAVED!

COME HOME I'LL CARE FOR YOUR BLEEDING BACKS, THEN STAY ALL NIGHT AND WE WILL RETURN TO THE JAIL IN THE MORNING!



THE JUDGES HEARING WHAT HAPPENED SEND WORD THAT PAUL AND SILAS SHOULD BE MADE FREE-PAUL, BEING A ROMAN CITIZEN AS WELL AS A JEW, REFUSES TO GO AND INSISTS THAT A JUDGE MUST COME PERSONALLY AND APOLOGIZE ~



WE DID NOT KNOW YOU WERE ROMANS PLEASE LEAVE OUR CITY!

SO THEY LEFT THE PRISON AND RETURNED TO LYDIA'S HOUSE, WHERE AFTER A BRIEF STAY THEY JOURNEY ON ~

RELIGIOUS LEADERS IN THESSALONICA MAKE THE MISSIONARIES LEAVE.

AFTER TRAVELING NORTHEAST THROUGH AMPHIPOLIS AND APOLLONIA, THE THREE COME TO THESSALONICA. FOR THREE SABBATHS THEY SPEAK IN A SYNAGOGUE.



I HAVE SHOWN THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST FORETOLD IN OUR SCRIPTURES!

HIS WORDS ARE CONVINCING!

I AM A GREEK BUT HIS TALK APPEALS TO ME TOO!

THE RELIGIOUS LEADERS, JEALOUS OF THE SUCCESS OF THE VISITORS PLOT TO DRIVE THEM OUT OF THEIR CITY.



WE MUST DO SOMETHING TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THIS HERESY!

YOU CAN COUNT ON US!



A CROWD GATHERS AT THE HOUSE OF JASON WHERE PAUL AND SILAS ARE BEING ENTERTAINED

BRING OUT THE TRAITORS!

WE ARE COMING IN TO GET THEM!

BUT JASON HELPS THEM ESCAPE, BEFORE THE CROWD COMES - JASON IS ROUGHLY HANDLED AND IS BROUGHT BEFORE THE RULERS OF THE CITY.



I'M A RESPECTED CITIZEN, LOYAL TO OUR ROMAN LAWS - I SIMPLY GAVE LODGING TO THESE VISITORS, WHO CAME TO HELP US WITH A MESSAGE!

YES, BUT THEY SAY THAT ONE JESUS SHOULD BE OUR KING!

THIS IS DISLOYAL TO CAESAR!

JASON GIVES SECURITY GUARANTEEING GOOD BEHAVIOR WHILE PAUL AND SILAS ESCAPE.



DOWN THAT ROAD YOU WILL REACH BEREIA!

BUT THEY ARE FOLLOWED INTO BEREIA BY MEN FROM THESSALONICA DETERMINED TO PERSECUTE THEM.



I PLAN TO GO TO ATHENS BUT YOU, SILAS AND TIMOTHY, STAY HERE - BE FAITHFUL IN YOUR PREACHING - I'LL SEND FOR YOU!

GOD PROTECT YOU - MAY YOU HELP OTHERS AS YOU HAVE US!

WE WILL NEVER FORGET YOU!

IN ATHENS PAUL IS ASKED TO ADDRESS THE TRIBUNAL AREOPAGUS.

PAUL REACHES ATHENS, WHERE THE PEOPLE OF MANY IDOLS EAGERLY LISTEN TO VISITORS WHO TELL ABOUT ANY NEW RELIGION.

MY TEACHING MAY SEEM STRANGE TO YOU—IT IS CHIEFLY ABOUT ONE JESUS, WHOM GOD SENT AND RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD!

TO ME, AN EPICUREAN, HE SOUNDS LIKE A MERE BABBLER!

I'M A STOIC—IT IS A QUEER DOCTRINE—BUT LET'S MAKE HIM DEFEND IT BEFORE THE COUNCIL ON MARS' HILL!

PAUL SPEAKS IN THEIR SYNAGOGUE ON THE SABBATH AND IN THE MARKET PLACE, DAILY.

THIS GOD CANNOT BE FASHIONED INTO AN IDOL *FROM GOLD, SILVER OR STONE—HE ASKS US, HIS CHILDREN, TO REPENT OF OUR SINS—TO SEEK THAT WE MIGHT FIND HIM—HE SENT JESUS TO MAKE THIS CLEAR—HE EVEN RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD!

THAT'S RIDICULOUS! WHO EVER HEARD OF ANYONE BEING RAISED FROM THE DEAD!

SO PAUL SPEAKS BEFORE THIS TRIBUNAL CALLED AREOPAGUS.

I WELCOME THIS CHANCE TO EXPLAIN WHAT I HAVE BEEN PREACHING—YOU ARE ALL VERY RELIGIOUS—I SEE YOU HAVE MANY IDOLS, AND IN ORDER NOT TO NEGLECT ANY, YOU HAVE AN ALTAR TO "THE UNKNOWN GOD"

IT'S THAT UNKNOWN GOD THAT WE SHOULD HEAR ABOUT!

IT IS CONCERNING THIS UNKNOWN GOD THAT I WILL SPEAK! HE DWELLS NOT IN TEMPLES—HE MADE THE WORLD INCLUDING YOU AND ME—IN HIM WE LIVE AND MOVE AND HAVE OUR BEING!

AFTER SPENDING SOME TIME IN ATHENS, PAUL GOES TO CORINTH WHERE HE STAYS FOR A YEAR AND A HALF—THERE HE MEETS AQUILA AND PRISCILLA HIS WIFE, TWO JEWS RECENTLY EXPELLED FROM ROME BY THE EMPEROR CLAUDIUS CAESAR.

YOUR EXPULSION FROM ROME BRINGS A BLESSING TO ME—I'LL LIVE AT YOUR HOME AND WORK WITH YOU AS A TENT-MAKER. I'LL PREACH ON THE SABBATH!

THEN WE CAN LEARN MORE OF YOUR DOCTRINE!

SILAS AND TIMOTHY COME TO HELP PAUL IN CORINTH—THEIR WORK IS UNSUCCESSFUL AMONG THE JEWS, ALTHOUGH CRISPUS THE RULER OF THE SYNAGOGUE BELIEVES.

SINCE WE CANNOT CONVINCE MANY OF YOU THAT JESUS IS THE CHRIST, WE HAVE DECIDED TO DEVOTE OUR TIME TO THE GENTILES!

I'LL GO TO HEAR HIM WHEREVER HE SPEAKS—I AND MY FAMILY ARE BAPTIZED BELIEVERS!

PAUL MOVES TO THE HOME OF TITUS JUSTUS NEXT DOOR TO THE SYNAGOGUE—PAUL'S FAITH IS STRENGTHENED BY GOD'S VOICE IN A DREAM.

BE NOT AFRAID BUT SPEAK OUT BOLDLY FOR I AM WITH THEE—NO MAN SHALL HARM THEE I HAVE MUCH PEOPLE IN THIS CITY!

AT EPHESUS FRIENDS WARN PAUL NOT TO GO TO JERUSALEM; REACHES ANTIOCH.

ENEMIES OF PAUL INCREASE — HE IS ARRESTED
BROUGHT BEFORE GALLIO, THE ROMAN
PRO-CONUL OF THE PROVINCE OF ARCHAEA.

I AM HERE SIR
M GOSTHENES
THE NEW RULER
THE SYNAGOGUE
WE ACCUSE THIS
DOUBLE MAKER
PERSUADING
PEOPLE TO
SHIP CONTRARY
TO OUR LAWS!

MAY
I SAY...

I AM NOT
HERE TO JUDGE.
YOUR
RELIGIOUS
LAWS! YOU
ARE WASTING
MY TIME —
GET OUT!

SYMPATHIZERS
OF PAUL
THROW OUT
HIS
ACCUSERS

YOUR WICKED
PLANS DID
NOT WORK!

THIS IS
TO HELP
YOU,
FASTER!

DON'T
HURT
HIM!

PAUL DECIDES TO LEAVE CORINTH AND SAIL FOR
JERUSALEM — HE TAKES PRISCILLA AND AQUILA ALONG

HE WILL STOP
IN EPHESUS AND
ENCOURAGE THE
FAITH OF THE
DISCIPLES!

MY SHAVEN
HEAD SHOWS
THAT I MADE
A VOW TO
SERVE GOD
ANYWHERE!

WE GO
WITH YOU
GLADLY!

THE CHRISTIANS IN EPHESUS ARE OVERJOYED
TO SEE PAUL AGAIN — THEY URGE HIM TO
REMAIN, BUT HE INSISTS ON GOING TO JERUSALEM
TO ATTEND THE FEAST OF THE PASSEOVER.

AS I LEAVE, I REMIND
YOU AGAIN OF THE
UNSPEAKABLE RICHES
OF CHRIST. REMAIN
FAITHFUL TO HIM!

PAUL LEAVES
AQUILA AND
PRISCILLA
BEHIND
AND HE
SETS SAIL.

WE'LL CARRY
ON AS
BEST WE
CAN!

BE SURE
TO COME BACK
AS SOON AS
POSSIBLE!

GOD WILLING
I'LL RETURN
TO YOU
AGAIN!

SO PAUL, AFTER STOPPING AT CAESAREA
AND JERUSALEM ARRIVES AT ANTIOCH,
THEREBY COMPLETING HIS SECOND MISSION-
ARY JOURNEY.

MY DEAR BRETHREN
OF ANTIOCH, YOUR
PRAYERS FOR ME ON
MY TRIP HAVE BEEN
ANSWERED — MANY CAME
TO BELIEVE ON JESUS

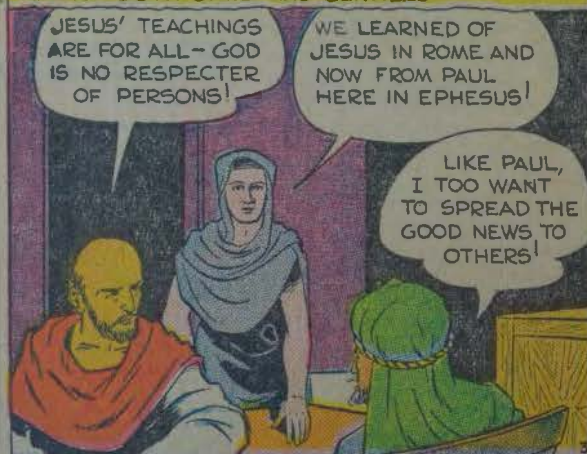
BUT PAUL SOON BECOMES RESTLESS AND DECIDES TO TAKE HIS THIRD MISSIONARY JOURNEY—THIS TIME WITH ONE TITUS //



BEFORE THEY REACH EPHEBUS, APOLLOS, AN ELOQUENT SPEAKER HAS COME FROM ALEXANDRIA—HE MEETS AQUILA AND PRISCILLA //



SO AQUILA AND PRISCILLA GET TOGETHER WITH APOLLOS AND TELL HIM OF GOD'S WORKING AMONG BOTH JEWS AND GENTILES //



APOLLOS DECIDES TO GO TO THE CITIES OF ACHAIA—THE CHRISTIANS AT EPHEBUS WRITE AHEAD TO CORINTH TELLING THE CONVERTS TO GIVE HIM A HEARTY WELCOME //



PAUL ARRIVES IN EPHEBUS AND TALKS ABOUT THE HOLY SPIRIT TO TWELVE BELIEVERS //



WHEN PAUL HAD LAID HIS HANDS UPON THEM THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME ON THEM AND THEY SPAKE WITH TONGUES AND PROPHESIED //

PREACHES TWO YEARS IN EPHESUS. OPPOSED BY SILVERSMITH, DEMETRIUS

MORE THAN TWO YEARS PAUL PREACHED IN EPHESUS AND THE SURROUNDING TOWNS — MANY BECAME CHRISTIANS, SOME ARE HEALED



IT IS PAUL
NOT ONLY
PREACHES BUT
HEALS ALSO!

YES AND IT IS
REPORTED THAT
ANYTHING HE
TOUCHES LIKE A
HANDKERCHIEF
HAS HEALING
POWER!

TWO SONS OF A HIGH PRIEST WHO SEE PAUL
DRIVE EVIL SPIRITS OUT OF PEOPLE, THINK
THEY CAN DO IT ALSO



I ADJURE THE
EVIL SPIRIT THAT IS
IN YOU TO COME OUT
IN THE NAME OF JESUS
WHOM PAUL PREACHES

JESUS I KNOW,
AND PAUL I KNOW,
BUT WHO ARE YOU?

THAT'S THE
EVIL
SPIRIT
SPEAKING!

TO THEIR SURPRISE THE EVIL-POSSESSED
LEAPS ON THEM TEARING THEIR CLOTHES
AND DRIVING THEM OUT



YOU CAN'T
USE GOD'S
SPIRIT TO
EXPERIMENT
ON ME!

PAUL SPEAKS SO EFFECTIVELY AGAINST THE
EVILS OF MAGIC AND QUEER PRACTICES, THAT
THE OWNERS OF SUCH BOOKS BRING AND
BURN THEM BEFORE PAUL



THIS IS THE
BEST EVIDENCE
OF YOUR TRUE
BELIEF IN GOD
AND THE
FOOLISHNESS
OF SOOTHSAYING!

FROM NOW ON
I BELIEVE IN
GOD AND NOT
IN SUPERSTITIONS!

THESE BOOKS
WERE WORTH
A LOT,
ABOUT
50,000
PIECES OF
SILVER!

THE TEACHINGS INTERFERE WITH THE PROFIT-
BUSINESS OF A SILVERSMITH DEMETRIUS,
MAKES SMALL SHRINES OF THE GODDESS
DIANA — HE CALLS TOGETHER MEN IN HIS TRADE



YES, THIS MAN
IS KILLING
MY BUSINESS —
HE SAYS THERE
ARE NO GODS
WHICH ARE MADE
BY HAND!

YES, AND HE
BRINGS DISRESPECT
UPON THE GREAT
GODDESS DIANA — HE
WOULD DESTROY HER
MAGNIFICENCE WHICH
ALL ASIA AND THE
WORLD WORSHIP!

THE WHOLE CITY IS AN UPROAR — PEOPLE RUSH
OUT INTO THE STREET — A LARGE ASSEMBLY
GATHERS IN THE THEATER — THE TOWN CLERK
QUIETS THEM



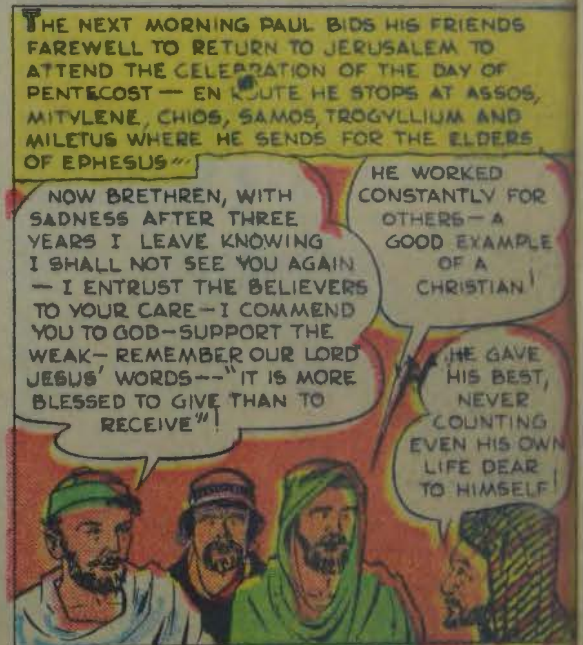
GREAT IS
DIANA OF
THE
EPHESIANS!

IF DEMETRIUS AND
THE CRAFTSMEN
HAVE A MATTER
AGAINST ANY MAN
LET HIM GO ABOUT
IT LAWFULLY IN OUR
ASSEMBLY — THIS RIOTING
MAY GET YOU INTO
TROUBLE — ALL OF
YOU GO HOME!

THAT
SOUNDS
REASONABLE

DIANA
WHO
CAME
DOWN
FROM
JUPITER
IS STRONG
ENOUGH TO
DEFEND
HERSELF!

LEAVES EPHESUS TO RETURN TO JERUSALEM.



ARRESTED IN JERUSALEM: CHARGE, DISLOYALTY TO JEWISH TRADITION.

PAUL RETURNS FROM EPHESUS TO JERUSALEM. HE GOES FIRST BY WATER TO CAESAREA //



WHILE AT CAESAREA, A PROPHET NAMED AGABUS FROM JUDEA REMOVES PAUL'S GIRDLE AND BINDS HIS OWN HANDS AND FEET //



IN JERUSALEM, THE DISCIPLES RECEIVE HIM GLADLY, SOME WARN HIM //



THE DISCIPLES SUGGEST A PLAN TO SHOW PAUL'S LOYALTY TO THE JEWISH TRADITIONS //



BUT CERTAIN JEWS FROM ASIA ARE DETERMINED TO MAKE TROUBLE FOR PAUL - THEY GRAB HIM AND CRY OUT //



IN ANGER THEY THREW PAUL OUT AND ATTACK HIM -- SOLDIERS COME TO HIS RESCUE //



AS PAUL IS BOUND AND CARRIED INTO THE CASTLE HE SPEAKS TO THE CAPTAIN IN GREEK



PAUL SPEAKS TO THE HOWLING MOB WHO FOLLOW HIM INTO THE CASTLE

MEN AND BRETHREN,
HEAR MY DEFENCE
—I AM A JEW, BORN
IN TARSUS EDUCATED
HERE IN OUR LAW, AT
THE FEET OF GAMALIEL!

LISTEN, HE
SPEAKS
EXCELLENT
HEBREW!



PAUL TELLS HIS EXPERIENCE OF PERSECUTING THE BELIEVERS, HIS VISION OF JESUS AT DAMASCUS AND HIS CONVERSION—BUT THE CROWD CRIES OUT AGAINST HIM

IN MY IGNORANCE
I PERSECUTED THE
FOLLOWERS OF JESUS,
WHO CAME TO HELP
JEWS AND GENTILES
ALIKE!

AWAY
WITH
HIM!

LET HIM BE
CONDEMNED!



THE ROMAN CAPTAIN, NOT UNDERSTANDING HEBREW, ORDERS PAUL SCOURGED FOR SOME POSSIBLE WRONG

IS IT LAWFUL
FOR YOU TO SCOURGE
ME, A ROMAN
CITIZEN, WITHOUT
A TRIAL?

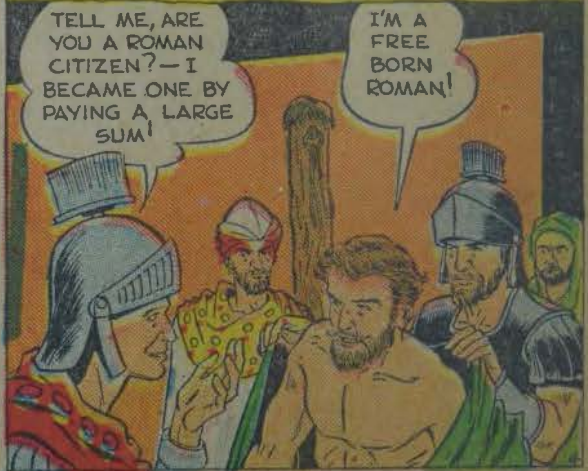
YOU A
ROMAN!!
I'LL REPORT
THIS TO
THE
CAPTAIN!



THE CHIEF CAPTAIN HASTENS TO COME AND QUESTION PAUL

TELL ME, ARE
YOU A ROMAN
CITIZEN?—I
BECAME ONE BY
PAYING A LARGE
SUM!

I'M A
FREE
BORN
ROMAN!



THE CAPTAIN
DETERMINES
HE MUST
GIVE PAUL
A FAIR TRIAL
BEFORE THE
COUNCIL OF
PHARISEES
AND
SADDUCEES

I HAVE TRIED
TO LIVE IN ALL
GOOD CONSCIENCE
BEFORE GOD!



THE CHIEF PRIEST ENRAGED, COMMANDS A MAN NEARBY TO PUNISH PAUL

GOD SHALL
SMITE YOU,
YOU WHITED
WALL!

DON'T YOU KNOW
YOU ARE
REVILING GOD'S
HIGH
PRIEST?



TRIED BEFORE RELIGIOUS LEADERS. PLOT AGAINST HIM OVERHEARD BY NEPHEW

PAUL APOLOGIZES TO THE HIGH PRIEST AND THEN NOTICES THERE ARE BOTH PHARISEES AND SADDUCEES IN THE COUNCIL



THIS STARTED A CONTROVERSY SINCE THE SADDUCEES SAY THERE IS NO RESURRECTION NOR ANGELS WHILE THE PHARISEES BELIEVE IN BOTH



AS THE ARGUMENTS BECOME MORE HEATED AND THERE IS DANGER OF PHYSICAL VIOLENCE TO PAUL, THE CAPTAIN ORDERS HIS SOLDIERS TO TAKE HIM FROM THE COUNCIL



THE LORD SPOKE TO PAUL THAT NIGHT IN A DREAM

BE OF GOOD CHEER, PAUL--AS THOU HAST TESTIFIED OF ME IN JERUSALEM, SO MUST THOU BEAR WITNESS ALSO AT ROME



A DISGRUNTLED GROUP BANDS TOGETHER AND PLOTS AGAINST PAUL—HIS SISTER'S SON OVERHEARS THE PLOT



PAUL HEARS THE STORIES AND ARRANGES FOR HIS NEPHEW TO REPORT IT TO THE CHIEF CAPTAIN



ROMAN CAPTAIN FOILS PLOTTERS. PAUL SENT TO GOVERNOR FELIX AT CAESARIA.

THE CHIEF CAPTAIN, CLAUDIUS LYSIAS, LISTENS ATTENTIVELY AS PAUL'S NEPHEW TELLS WHAT HE OVERHEARD.



SO THE CAPTAIN FOILS THE PLOTTERS BY SENDING PAUL BY NIGHT TO FELIX THE GOVERNOR OF CAESAREA.



TO THE MOST EXCELLENT GOVERNOR FELIX:

I RESCUED THIS MAN, A ROMAN, FROM HIS ENEMIES WHO ACCUSED HIM OF CERTAIN QUESTIONS OF JEWISH LAW, BUT I FOUND NOTHING WORTHY OF DEATH. THEN THEY LAID IN WAIT FOR HIM AND I DECIDED TO SEND HIM TO YOU SO HIS ACCUSERS MIGHT COME AND TELL WHAT THEY HAVE AGAINST HIM.

CLAUDIUS LYSIAS



THE SOLDIERS DELIVER PAUL AND THE LETTER TO GOVERNOR FELIX.



FIVE DAYS LATER ANANIAS, THE HIGH PRIEST, AND OTHERS INCLUDING AN ORATOR NAMED TERTULLUS APPEAR BEFORE FELIX.

MOST NOBLE FELIX, WE ENJOY GREAT QUIETNESS UNDER YOUR RULE—THIS PESTILENT FELLOW STARTS SEDITIONS AMONG THE JEWS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD—WE WOULD HAVE TRIED HIM BUT THE CHIEF CAPTAIN TOOK HIM AWAY WITH GREAT VIOLENCE AND TOLD US TO COME TO YOU!



FELIX BECKONS TO PAUL TO SPEAK

YOU HAVE BEEN A JUDGE FOR MANY YEARS, SO I CHEERFULLY ANSWER FOR MYSELF— I HAVE NOT DISPUTED WITH ANY MAN NOR STIRRED UP A CROWD IN ANY STREET NOR TEMPLE — THEY CANNOT PROVE ALL THE THINGS OF WHICH THEY ACCUSE ME!



APPEARS BEFORE FELIX APPEALS FOR TRIAL IN ROME

PAUL INSISTS THAT IT IS BECAUSE OF HIS BELIEF IN THE RESURRECTION THAT HE IS BEING PERSECUTED

I WAS IN THE TEMPLE PRESENTING MY GIFTS, WHEN CERTAIN MEN FROM ASIA, GRABBED ME AND BROUGHT FALSE CHARGES AGAINST ME BEFORE THEIR COUNCIL — THERE I SAID I BELIEVED IN THE RESURRECTION!

TELL ME AND MY WIFE DRUSILLA ABOUT YOUR BELIEFS



AND AS HE REASONED OF RIGHTEOUSNESS TEMPERANCE AND JUDGMENT TO COME, FELIX TREMBLED AND ANSWERED: "GO YOUR WAY FOR THIS TIME, WHEN I HAVE A CONVENIENT SEASON I WILL CALL FOR YOU"



FELIX KEEPS PAUL CONFINED FOR TWO YEARS HOPING THAT HE WILL PAY TO BE RELEASED

I CANNOT COMPLAIN — FELIX GIVES ME LIBERTIES, HE SAYS HE POSTPONES MY TRIAL UNTIL LYSIAS, THE CHIEF CAPTAIN, COMES TO GIVE FURTHER FACTS!

IF YOU PAID HIM HE WOULD LET YOU OUT!



PORCIUS FESTUS SUCCEEDS FELIX — WHILE IN JERUSALEM PAUL'S ACCUSERS APPROACH HIM

MOST NOBLE FESTUS, WE DESIRE A SMALL FAVOR — SEND PAUL HERE TO BE TRIED!

NO! — I'M RETURNING TO CAESAREA SHORTLY — COME ALONG AND I'LL TRY HIM THERE!

ANOTHER PLAN TO WAYLAY PAUL IS FOILED!



FESTUS A DAY AFTER HE ARRIVES HOLDS COURT TO TRY PAUL BEFORE HIS ACCUSERS

NONE OF THE ACCUSATIONS CAN BE PROVED, I HAVE VIOLATED NO LAWS OF THE JEWS, THE TEMPLE, NOR OF CAESAR!

ARE YOU WILLING THEN TO BE TRIED IN JERUSALEM?



PAUL STANDS FOR HIS RIGHTS AS A ROMAN CITIZEN AND DEMANDS THAT HE BE TRIED IN ROME

I THOUGHT I WAS HERE AT ONE OF CAESAR'S COURTS — I HAVE DONE NO WRONG TO MY FELLOW JEWS — I DO NOT REFUSE TO DIE IF I HAVE DONE ANYTHING WORTHY OF DEATH — I THEREFORE APPEAL TO CAESAR!

SINCE YOU APPEAL TO CAESAR, TO ROME YOU WILL GO!



HEROD AGRIPPA, THE KING WITH BERNICE HIS WIFE, VISIT GOVERNOR FESTUS, WHO TELLS ABOUT PAUL'S TRIAL AND HIS APPEAL TO CAESAR.

HIS ACCUSERS HAVE NO REAL CASE AGAINST PAUL. HE HAS SOME STRANGE SUPERSTITIONS ABOUT ONE, JESUS, WHO DIED BUT WHO PAUL CLAIMS IS STILL ALIVE!

YOU SAY PAUL REFUSES TO BE TRIED IN JERUSALEM AND APPEALS TO CAESAR?—I'D LIKE TO TALK WITH HIM!



IN IGNORANCE I ONCE PERSECUTED THE CHRISTIANS WHO BELIEVE THAT JESUS ROSE FROM THE DEAD!

ALL OUR FAMILY OF HERODS ARE WELL VERSED IN JEWISH LAWS!



SO FESTUS WITH GREAT POMP AND MANY DIGNITARIES HAS PAUL BROUGHT BEFORE THE ROMAN KING.

HERE IS THE MAN FOR YOU TO EXAMINE!

YOU ARE PERMITTED TO SPEAK FOR YOURSELF!

I CONSIDER MYSELF FORTUNATE, KING AGRIPPA TO ANSWER THE FALSE CHARGES TO YOU, AN EXPERT ON ALL JEWISH CUSTOMS AND LAWS!



ONE DAY AT MIDDAY AS I APPROACHED DAMASCUS I HEARD A VOICE SAYING IN HEBREW "SAUL, SAUL, WHY PERSECUTEST THOU ME?"

HE WAS BLINDED TOO, AND HAD TO BE LED INTO DAMASCUS!

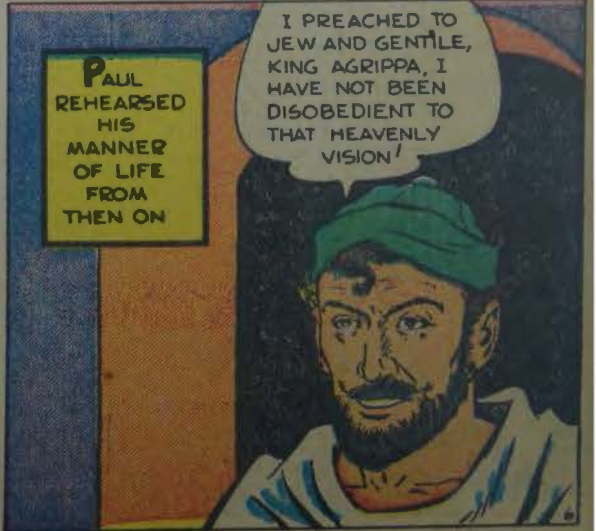


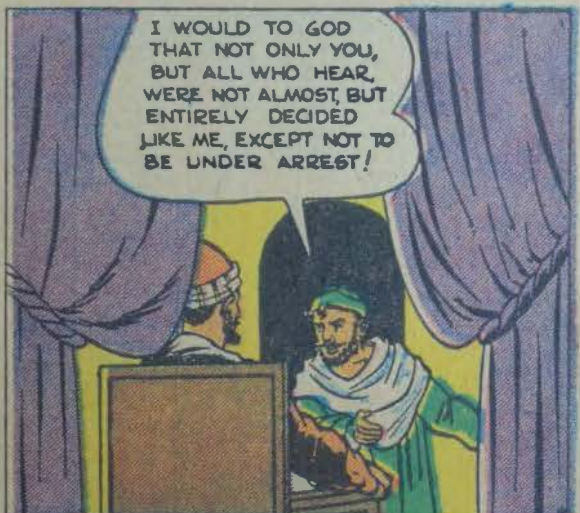
THEN I ASKED—"WHO ART THOU LORD?"—THE VOICE REPLIED—"I AM JESUS WHOM THOU PERSECUTEST—RISE, YOU ARE TO BE A WITNESS OF THESE AND OTHER THINGS!"



PAUL REHEARSED HIS MANNER OF LIFE FROM THEN ON

I PREACHED TO JEW AND GENTILE, KING AGRIPPA, I HAVE NOT BEEN DISOBEDIENT TO THAT HEAVENLY VISION!





PAUL SENT TO ROME, ON WAY ENCOUNTERS A SEVERE STORM

THE DAY CAME WHEN PAUL WITH OTHER PRISONERS SET SAIL FOR ITALY //

WE SAIL FROM CAESAREA STOPPING FIRST AT SIDON THEN ALONG THE COAST OF ASIA

PAUL WAS ENTRUSTED TO A ROMAN CENTURION, JULIUS WHO SHOWS KINDNESS

AT SIDON PAUL IS ALLOWED TO HAVE FRIENDS VISIT HIM //

I GO TO ROME, THE HEART OF THE EMPIRE WHERE I WILL PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL!

SEND US WORD BY SOMEONE RETURNING!

FROM SIDON WE SAILED UNDER THE LEE OF CYPRUS BECAUSE OF CONTRARY WINDS, THEN ON THE SEA OFF CILICIA AND PAMPHYLIA TO MYRA, A CITY OF LYCIA THERE WE CHANGED TO A SHIP SAILING FOR ITALY NEXT SAILING SLOWLY OVER AGAINST CNIDUS AND THEN UNDER CRETE OVER AGAINST SALMONE COASTING ALONG WE CAME TO A PLACE, FAIR HAVENS NEAR THE CITY OF LASEA //

AT LYSEA BECAUSE OF CONTINUING STORMY WEATHER PAUL URGES THE SHIP'S MASTER TO DELAY SAILING //

WE SHOULD STAY HERE OR WE MAY LOSE OUR CARGO AND EVEN OUR LIVES!

THIS IS NOT A GOOD HARBOR AND WE HAVE OUR CARGO TO DELIVER AT PHENICE IN CRETE!

SO WHEN A SOUTH WIND BLOWS THEY SAIL ALONG THE COAST OF CRETE //

THIS IS BEAUTIFUL SAILING! WEATHER!

THE MILD SOFT WIND SOON CHANGES TO A TEMPESTUOUS STORM - THE CAPTAIN THUNDERS OUT ORDERS //

SIR, THERE AHEAD IS THE ISLAND OF CLAUDA, I BELIEVE!

AS SOON AS THE WIND ABATES WE MUST PUT CHAINS AND ROPES AROUND THE HULL AND REEF SAIL LEST WE RUN ON TO QUICK SAND!

PAUL QUIETS THE FRIGHTENED CREW AND PASSENGERS.

THE SEVERE STORM CONTINUES — ON THE THIRD DAY THE CAPTAIN CALLS THE CREW AND PASSENGERS TOGETHER //

YESTERDAY, TO LIGHTEN THE SHIP WE THREW THE CARGO OVERBOARD — TODAY WE MUST THROW OVER THE BLOCKS, ROPES AND TACKLE //

WE HAVE NOT SEEN THE SUN NOR THE STARS FOR DAYS!



AS ALL HOPE FOR THE SHIP IS LOST, PAUL SPEAKS TO THE CROWD //

IF I HAD BEEN OBEYED AT CRETE WE WOULD NOT SUFFER ALL THIS LOSS — BUT BE OF GOOD CHEER FOR NONE OF YOU WILL BE DROWNED!



AND PAUL GAVE HIS REASON FOR CONFIDENCE //

THERE STOOD BY ME THIS NIGHT AN ANGEL OF GOD SAYING 'FEAR NOT, PAUL, YOU MUST BE BROUGHT BEFORE CAESAR. GOD HATH GIVEN THEE ALL WHO SAIL WITH THEE!'



CAPTAIN, WE ARE APPROACHING LAND!

WHAT ARE THE SOUNDINGS?

ONLY FIFTEEN FATHOMS RIGHT NOW, IT WAS TWENTY PREVIOUSLY!



THROW OUT FOUR ANCHORS ASTERN LEST WE RUN ON THE ROCKS!

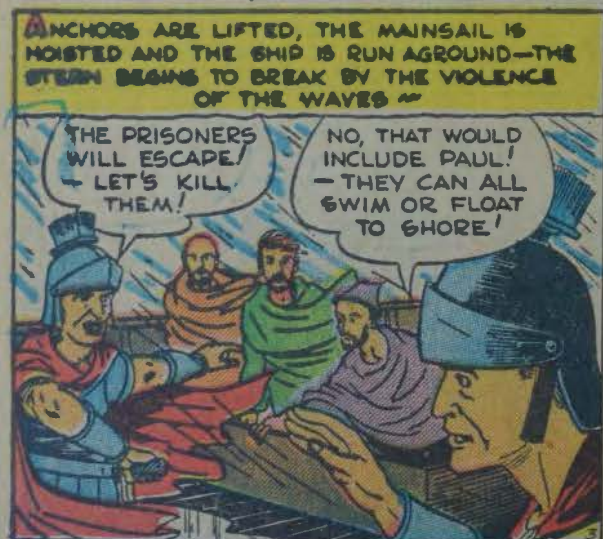
LET'S ROW AWAY IN ONE OF THE SMALL BOATS SAYING WE INTEND TO CAST OFF ANOTHER ANCHOR FROM THE PROW!



PAUL OVERHEARS THEIR PLANS TO ESCAPE AND SPEAKS TO THE CENTURION AND THE SOLDIERS //

UNLESS THOSE MEN STAY ABOARD, THE REST OF US WILL ALL BE LOST!

I'LL FIX THAT BY CUTTING THIS ROPE TO THE BOAT!



PAUL HEALS MANY; IS SHOWERED WITH GIFTS WHEN HE SAILS



SO PAUL INVITES IMPORTANT JEWS TO HIS HOUSE—THEY STAY THERE ALL DAY //

I WILL EXPLAIN HOW THE KINGDOM OF GOD THAT I PREACH WAS TAUGHT BY MOSES, AND THE PROPHETS!



SOME OF THESE JEWS IN ROME BELIEVE, BUT OTHERS DO NOT //

IN CONCLUSION I SAY THAT IN JESUS ALL THE LAWS OF MOSES AND THE PROPHETS ARE FULFILLED!

IF IT IS TRUE, WHY THEN DO SO MANY JEWS REJECT THESE TEACHINGS?



AS THEY LEAVE PAUL REMINDS THEM THAT THE GENTILES EAGERLY RECEIVE HIS MESSAGE //

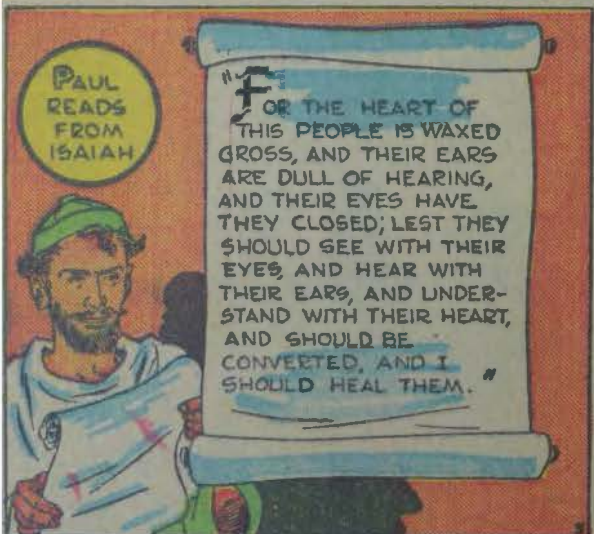
YOU HAVE QUESTIONED ALL THAT I HAVE EXPLAINED, BUT THE GENTILES WILL HEAR AND BELIEVE!

WE WILL DISCUSS THIS AMONG OURSELVES!



PAUL READS FROM ISAIAH

"FOR THE HEART OF THIS PEOPLE IS WAXED GROSS, AND THEIR EARS ARE DULL OF HEARING, AND THEIR EYES HAVE THEY CLOSED; LEST THEY SHOULD SEE WITH THEIR EYES, AND HEAR WITH THEIR EARS, AND UNDERSTAND WITH THEIR HEART, AND SHOULD BE CONVERTED, AND I SHOULD HEAL THEM."



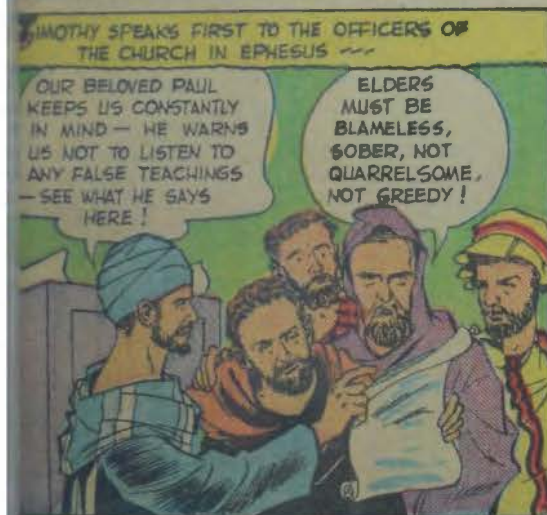
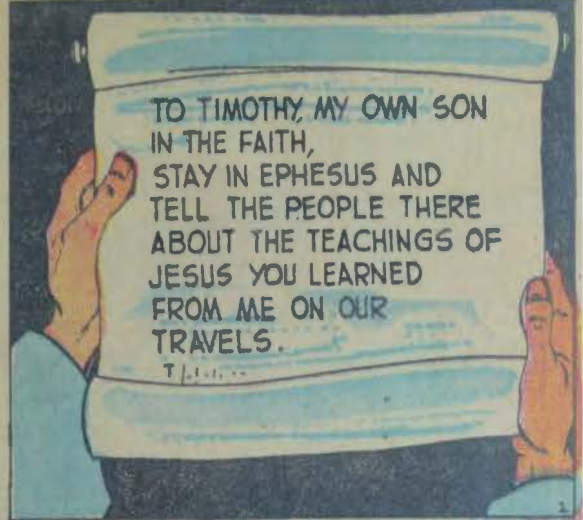
SO LUKE HERE CONCLUDES HIS ACCOUNT RECORDED IN THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES //

"AND PAUL DWELT TWO WHOLE YEARS IN HIS OWN HIRED HOUSE AND RECEIVED ALL THAT CAME IN UNTO HIM PREACHING THE KINGDOM OF GOD"



FROM ROME, PAUL WROTE TO MANY CHURCHES WHICH HE HAD ESTABLISHED IN CORINTH, COLOSSE AND PHILIPPI. ALSO HE WROTE TO INDIVIDUALS. ONE OF HIS LAST LETTERS WAS TO TIMOTHY, HIS YOUNG FRIEND AND COMPANION ON HIS MANY JOURNEYS.





TIMOTHY'S TEACHINGS OF JESUS SPREAD THROUGH THE CITY.

TIMOTHY TELLS OTHERS OF JESUS' TEACHINGS —HE COMES UPON TWO BOYS FIGHTING—



WHAT'S THE TROUBLE HERE?
LET'S SEE IF WE CAN'T SETTLE THIS TROUBLE!

HE'S ALWAYS PICKING ON ME!

HE ALWAYS WANTS TO GO ALONG WITH US BIGGER BOYS!



DO YOU KNOW, I USED TO FIGHT, TOO, AS A BOY, BUT I LEARNED IT IS BETTER NOT TO QUARREL — TALK THINGS OVER WHEN YOU CAN AND FOLLOW JESUS' TEACHINGS TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER!

YOU'RE RIGHT! — I'LL TRY TO HELP US YOUNG FOLKS!

I'LL HELP TOO!

EVEN THE SMALLER CHILDREN WERE BROUGHT TO HEAR TIMOTHY



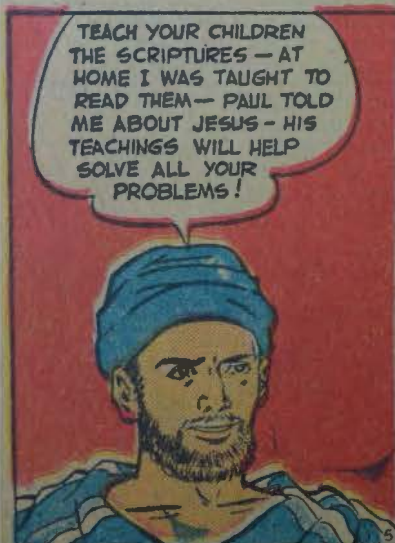
JESUS LOVED LITTLE CHILDREN AND TOOK THEM IN HIS ARMS — HE NEVER CHASED THEM AWAY!

TELL US MORE ABOUT BRINGING UP OUR CHILDREN!



PAUL SAID CHILDREN SHOULD HONOR THEIR PARENTS AND THAT PARENTS SHOULD BE PATIENT WITH THEIR CHILDREN!

HOW WOULD YOU GET OBEDIENCE?



TEACH YOUR CHILDREN THE SCRIPTURES — AT HOME I WAS TAUGHT TO READ THEM — PAUL TOLD ME ABOUT JESUS — HIS TEACHINGS WILL HELP SOLVE ALL YOUR PROBLEMS!

AT HOME A MOTHER FOUND HER SON BEING PUNISHED



HE DISOBEYED ME AGAIN!

TIMOTHY TOLD US MOTHERS OF A BETTER WAY TO CORRECT OUR CHILDREN — LET ME TELL YOU!

MANY FOLLOWED TIMOTHY'S TEACHINGS AND BECAME CHRISTIANS, BUT HERE AS ELSEWHERE, THEY MET OPPOSITION AND PERSECUTION



AMONG PAUL'S LAST WORDS TO TIMOTHY WERE THESE:

I HAVE FOUGHT A GOOD FIGHT, I HAVE FINISHED MY COURSE; I HAVE KEPT THE FAITH - HENCEFORTH THERE IS LAID UP FOR ME A CROWN OF RIGHTEOUSNESS.

The End

Chronological Index of the Principal Events in the Lives of Peter, Paul and Other Disciples

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Luke writes another account of happenings after Jesus left.
Disciples select a successor to Judas. The Day of Pentecost arrives.
Peter preaches and three thousand become disciples.
Peter and John heal a lame beggar and are put in prison.
They are released but forbidden to preach or heal. Disciples decide to share their money.

Ananias and Sapphira, his wife, lie about their gifts and die.
Peter with other disciples arrested again for preaching and healing.
Stephen becomes the first martyr. A young man, Saul stands by watching.
Persecuted disciples flee Jerusalem. Philip goes to Samaria.
Phillip meets an Ethiopian. Explains Isaiah's prophecy and baptizes him.
Saul persecutes the Christians. Is blinded and brought to Damascus.
Saul becomes a follower of Christ. His former companions plot against him.

Friends help him escape to Tarsus. Peter as leader preaches and heals.
Peter raises Dorcas from the dead.

Cornelius in Caesaria and Peter in Joppa have strange visions.
Peter, at Cornelius' house begins to understand God's plan.
Peter explains why he, contrary to Jewish custom, visits Gentiles.

Aid taken to Jerusalem disciples. King Herod persecutes the Christians.
Imprisons Peter.

Disciples pray for Peter's release. Herod dies.
Saul, Barnabas, and Mark, start on missionary journey. Saul now called Paul. Mark quits.

Iconium reached. At Lystra a cripple is healed. Paul is in great danger.
After three years they return to Antioch. Question of preaching to Gentiles arises.

Paul takes Silas. At Lystra Timothy joins them.
Paul heals fortune teller of evil spirit. He and Silas imprisoned but released.

Religious leaders in Thessalonica make the missionaries leave.
In Athens Paul is asked to address the Tribunal Areopagus.
At Ephesus friends warn Paul not to go to Jerusalem; reaches Antioch.

Paul begins third journey, this time taking Titus.
Preaches two years in Ephesus. Opposed by silversmith, Demetrios.
Leaves Ephesus to return to Jerusalem.
Arrested in Jerusalem, charge, disloyalty to Jewish tradition.
Makes his defense in Hebrew. Is taken by Roman soldiers.

Tried before religious leaders. A plot against him overheard by his nephew.

Roman captain foils plotters. Paul sent to Governor Felix at Caesaria.
Appears before Felix. Appeals for trial in Rome.
Herod Agrippa asks to see Paul who tells of his own conversion.
Herod is impressed but cannot release him because of appeal to Caesar.
Paul sent to Rome; on way encounters a severe storm.
Paul quiets the frightened crew and passengers.
Boat is run ashore; friendly natives think Paul a god.
Paul heals many. Is showered with gifts when he sails.
At Rome, Paul meets leaders; some not impressed. Luke concludes his account.

Timothy receives letter from Paul. Reads it to his mother and church officials.

Timothy's Teachings of Jesus spread through the city.

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